# United States Senate

January 16, 1940

Respectfully referred to

Honorable J. Edgar Hoover

with thanks for such favorable consideration as the communication herewith submitted warrants, and for a report thereon, to accompany return of inclosure.

By direction of

... B. F. Russell U. S. S.

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Vidalia, Georgia

January 12, 1940

Sen. Richard B. Russell
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

On the night of December 23, 1939, there was a young man, a gasoline filling station operator, murdered right in the heart of the City of Vidalia, Georgia. They have had the G-Men working on the case since. Up to now, I understand, they have been unable to apprehend the perpetrator of the crime. If you can have a law enacted requiring the finger-printing of every person in America, it will have more to do with the apprehension of criminals and be a wonderful deterrent against crime. This could be done in taking of census and in filling out of vital statistics at birth. A good citizen would have no objection to such a law. It would serve as a deterrent to those who are inclined to commit crime and help in running down crime. It seems to me you should have no trouble getting such a bill enacted into law.

With good wishes, I am,

Yours truly,

Jno. M. Meadows, M. D.

O.K.
R. E. Ledford, Editor,
Vidalia Advance
Vidalia, Georgia

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May 23, 1946

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Senator Russell's
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January 20, 1940

Honorable Richard B. Russell
United States Senate
Washington, D. C.

My dear Senator:

I have received your communication of January 18, 1940, with which you forwarded a letter from Dr. John K. Meadows of Vidalia, Georgia.

I have written to Dr. Meadows and he is being furnished with publications of this Bureau dealing with fingerprinting. Dr. Meadows' letter to you is being returned herewith.

With expressions of my highest esteem and best regards,

Sincerely yours,

Enclosure

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Dr. John Y. Meadows
Vidalia, Georgia

Dear Dr. Meadows:

Senator Richard B. Russell has forwarded to me your letter of January 12, 1940, in which you make certain suggestions relative to finger-printing matters.

I was indeed happy to learn of your interest in fingerprinting and I am enclosing certain of this Bureau's publications which I thought you might like to read.

With best wishes and kind regards,

Sincerely yours,

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January 17, 1947

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. LADD

Re: MAJOR ANDRE'

I took a call from a ~~Miss~~ Richard B. Coogel, extension 1113 at the Capitol, who described herself as secretary to Senator Russell. She stated that the Senator would like to know the identity of the three individuals who arrested Major Andre, the spy. She added that the Senator believed that the name of one of them was Spalding. I advised her the name of Major Andre as a spy was familiar to me but I could not place it at the moment, was sure it was something historical, but would make inquiry and call her back.

Mr. Whitson recalled the identity, whereupon I called Miss Coogel and pointed out to her that Major Andre was the British spy who carried the documents from Benedict Arnold during the Revolutionary War and was caught and hanged by the American Irregulars. I jokingly told her that the Bureau was not established until 1908 and accordingly our files couldn't contain the data she desired. She was decidedly flustered herself then and thanked me for the information.

I did suggest to her that she communicate with the Library of Congress and that they could undoubtedly furnish her the data. She thanked me.

J. K. [illegible]

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OFFICE OF DIRECTOR
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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

September 22, 1947

Mr. Anderson, in Senator Richard B. Russell's office (D-Ga.) called and asked for two copies of the Uniform Crime Report. He was told that they would be sent to him. He stated they were not in any hurry for them.

Mr. Jones was advised and he will handle.

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LiesSAM March 10, 1948

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TOLSON
MR. NICHOLS

Senator Richard B. Russell (D-Ga.) telephoned me and inquired as to whether or not the Bureau had any statistics on the number of murders and rapes, along with the number of convictions and indictments for these crimes for the cities of New York, Chicago and Los Angeles. I told the Senator that I would check into this matter immediately and if we did not have the statistics available we would get them from the respective cities.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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CC Mr. Mease
Telephone Room

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March 11, 1948

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TOLSON

It has been most difficult to comply with Senator Russell's request. SAC Hood and ASAC Whelan advised that figures on indictments are not available and cannot be secured unless several days are taken to check dockets. The District Attorney's office simply does not compile figures.

The Chicago Office is compiling the figures and they should be available around noon today. In the meantime I thought the Director might like to have the attached letter forwarded by special messenger.

Respectfully,

L. B. Nichols

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THIS MEMORANDUM IS FOR ADMINISTRATIVE PURPOSES
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March 26, 1948

SPECIAL MESSENGER

Honorable Richard B. Russell
United States Senate
Washington, D. C.

My dear Senator:

With further reference to our recent correspondence on crime statistics, I am enclosing a copy of the Uniform Crime Reports bulletin for 1947 which was released this morning.

With expressions of my highest esteem and best regards,

Sincerely yours,

(S) J. Edgar Hoover

signed and sent.

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March 12, 1948

Honorable Richard Russell
United States Senate
Washington, D. C.

My dear Senator:

With further reference to my letter of March 10, regarding statistics on murder and rape in Chicago, I wish to advise that we have now secured additional details for these crimes in 1947.

As to the crime of murder, there were 209 offenses committed resulting in the charging of 217 persons, 150 indictments and 89 convictions. In connection with the crime of rape, there were 473 offenses which occurred in 1947, while 507 persons were arrested and charged, 222 indictments were returned and there were 262 convictions.

I trust that this information will be of assistance.

With best wishes and kind regards,

Sincerely yours,

Per telephone conversation with ASAC Hostety.

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March 10, 1948

Honorable Richard B. Russell
United States Senate
Washington, D. C.

My dear Senator:

In connection with our conversation this morning regarding statistics on the crimes of murder and rape in New York, Chicago and Los Angeles, we have encountered some difficulty in securing information on the number of indictments; however, I have been able to secure the following figures:

1) Los Angeles. In 1947 there were a total of 119 murders committed; 189 individuals were arrested and charged. There were 27 convictions with 41 cases still pending at the end of the year. As to the crime of rape, in 1947 there were 662 offenses committed resulting in 543 individuals being arrested and charged; 61 individuals were convicted for this crime, with 152 cases pending at the end of the year.

The Los Angeles authorities stated it would be impossible to furnish figures on the number of indictments as such figures are not kept and to secure them it would be necessary to review every criminal docket that occurred during the year. Furnished by SAC [illegible]

2) New York City. In 1947 there were 333 offenses of murder, for which 302 arrests were made, followed by 86 convictions. In this connection, the New York authorities have informed us that all convictions are scored as against the year in which the crime occurred, and they point out that the 86 convictions does not include cases wherein prosecution has been instituted but wherein trial is pending. For the crime of rape 764 offenses were committed in the year 1947. There were a total of 922 persons arrested and 47 convictions followed. Here, again, the New York authorities point out that there were many cases wherein persons were arrested in 1947 for rapes committed in 1947 but whose cases are presently pending.

The New York authorities, including the Police Department and the District Attorney's office, stated it was impossible to furnish figures on the number of indictments returned for the

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Honorable Richard B. Russell

offenses of murder and rape.

3) Chicago. Detailed figures for 1947 are not available as yet from Chicago and have not been compiled. There were, however, 209 offenses of murder and 473 offenses of rape committed in the city of Chicago in the year 1947. For the year 1946, there were 231 offenses of murder, followed by the arrest and charging of 206 persons, with 89 individuals being convicted.

For the crime of rape, in 1946 there were 448 offenses committed, followed by the arrest and charging of 406 individuals and 173 convictions. The Chicago authorities also observe that the number of convictions does not include those cases which are pending trial subsequent to the year 1946.

It will be possible to secure the figures on the number of indictments. These are presently being compiled and should be available sometime tomorrow. As soon as we receive this information I will communicate it to you.

I trust the foregoing will supply you with the desired information.

With expressions of my highest esteem and admiration,

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

March 12, 1948

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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TOLSON
MR. NICHOLS

Senator Richard Russell (D-Georgia) called me and wanted to know if he could be furnished with a breakdown of crimes of violence by states and as to races of those committing the crimes. The Senator stated that if he could not get this as to states he would like to have the breakdown by area. He is interested in showing the high percentage of crimes committed by negroes outside of the South in proportion to population as compared to crimes committed by them in the South. I told him I would try to get this information for him.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

cc-Mr. Nease

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JEH:CH

March 22, 1948

Special Messenger

Honorable Richard Russell
United States Senate
Washington, D. C.

My dear Senator:

With reference to our conversation this morning, I have checked into the tabulations maintained in the Bureau on the extent of crime and I am enclosing a copy of the Uniform Crime Reports Bulletin for 1946, wherein on page 88 begins a tabulation of offenses known to the police by regions, geographic division and states. This tabulation should be considered along with the tabulation on page 97 setting out the number of offenses per 100,000 inhabitants.

In this connection, we hope within the next few days to have the Uniform Crime Reports Bulletin summarizing crime reports for 1947, and I will send you a copy as soon as it is available.

As to a recapitulation of the persons arrested, I regret to advise that we do not maintain statistical data along these lines by states. We do compile data based upon a study of the fingerprint cards received, and on page 124 of the Uniform Crime Reports Bulletin you will see a breakdown of the 645,431 persons whose fingerprints were received in the Bureau by race and offense.

I hope that these tabulations will be of some assistance to you.

With best wishes and kind regards,

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

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STANDARD FORM NO. 64

# Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

DATE: December 14, 1948

FROM : SAC, Atlanta

SUBJECT: CIVIL RIGHTS PROGRAM

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There is being forwarded herewith for Bureau's information an article appearing in the "Atlanta Constitution" on December 11, 1948 concerning Senator RICHARD B. RUSSELL'S stand on the Civil Rights Program.

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# Russell Pledges Fight on Civil Rights Planks

Sen. Russell declared here last night that certain planks of the victorious Democratic Party's Philadelphia platform "will be resisted to the utmost," as he reaffirmed his belief in the principle of States' rights.

In an obvious reference to the so-called Civil Rights Program, Russell said that "to have the Federal Government destroy the right of association is unthinkable."

Adressing the Atlanta Lawyers' Club, the Georgia Senator declared that "indestructible States are necessary to constitute an indestructible Union," as he warned that "every people who have lost their liberty have lost their election privileges to a central government."

Despite President Truman's victory, Sen. Russell forthrightly reiterated his opposition to parts of the Party platform and said he has "an abiding faith that it is a temporary thing, and that the Democratic Party will not forget the principles of Thomas Jefferson."

(Picture on Page 2)

By ALBERT RILEY

Cloaked under an "attractive label," the Civil Rights Program is one "taking away rights," he declared, as he termed the FEPC a "monstrosity."

He defended the South's record in handling a racial problem "we have lived with" as one worthy of "commendation instead of condemnation."

The Senator predicted that no punitive measures will be taken against the Dixiecrats, (a group he refused to join), because the Democratic Party "does not have the power to go off on a political paddling expedition."

Frankly admitting his opposition to segments of the Party leadership, Russell declared that he was "as mad as anyone else" about the Philadelphia platform, but that "I refused to be driven from the house of my fathers."

In another phase of an amazingly outspoken address, Russell dared to take a slap at the Supreme Court of the United States as he said he thought the Court has "undertaken to function as a legislative body."

He added facetiously that if he were practicing law today, he probably would have to subscribe to every newspaper and listen to every radio newscast to keep up with precedents set up by the Supreme Court.

On international affairs, the Senator said the people of the United States have been "sadly disillusioned" in their quest for world peace and have found "the word of great nations valueless," but he added that "I hope the American people will not lose faith in the United Nations.

"Despite its infirmities, the UN "still represents the one last hope of mankind to avert war," he asserted. "Billions must be spent, however, for defense and to bolster our allies," he declared, "lest they fall and we become a small island of Democracy in a raging sea of Communism."

"We must maintain our Army and Navy until we know this crisis is ended," he warned, "and you must maintain your interest in the United Nations and see that the maintain their interest until we can pierce the Iron Curtain and convince the Russian people that we are not an imperialistic nation.

"I believe the average Russian yearns for peace, and if we can get our story across to them, not even the Politboro nor the OGPU could get the Russians into a war with us."

The Atlanta Constitution
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STANDARD FORM NO. 64

# Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : MR. HARBO

DATE: August 17, 1949

FROM : D. J. PARSONS

SUBJECT:

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Mr. Anderson, Secretary to Senator Russell of Georgia telephoned the Director's Office and was referred to me. He advised he had two or three documents in the Roumanian language which he desired translated for a friend of the Senator.

I told Mr. Anderson we were unable to help the Senator in this case since our facilities did not include Roumanian translators. He said he understood; that he had previously contacted the Library of Congress which was unable to help, and he now intended to ask the Roumanian Embassy to assist.

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February 12, 1951

4:15 PM

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TOLSON
MR. LADD
MR. NICHOLS

Senator Richard B. Russell of Georgia called to inquire if we had ever investigated a man by the name of Herbert Atkinson who was on his committee. I told the Senator that off-hand I did not know but I would check into this and let him know and if we had not done so we would be glad to take care of this. He was most appreciative.

Very truly yours,

J. Edgar Hoover
Director

*The Director noted on the original: "Nichols should see Sen. Russell promptly & give him summary."*

cc-Mr. Nease

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7-30-51

DIRECTOR, FBI

SAC, R. D. AUERBACH, RICHMOND

On Friday evening, July 27, 1951, U.S. Senator STYLES BRIDGES advised me that Senator RICHARD RUSSELL and himself had been appointed by the President as the United States delegates to the Military Bilateral Treaty Section of the Japanese Peace Conference at San Francisco beginning September 4, 1951. Senator BRIDGES asked if you might consider sending me to San Francisco as a special assignment to be with him and Senator RUSSELL for the ten days of the conference deliberations. BRIDGES stated that he wanted associates whom he could trust to be with him, and that he felt that since you sometimes loan special personnel for special projects, that you might consider this.

I told Senator BRIDGES that I had no idea of how you would feel about this situation, but that I would bring it to your attention. BRIDGES then said that this would not be necessary as he would talk directly with you about it.

RDA:NSH DIRECTOR'S NOTATION: "OK. Also see that S.F. extends every courtesy." H.

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# Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : MR. A. H. BELMONT

DATE: July 13, 1952

FROM : J. J. TORRILLO

SUBJECT: [redacted]

TELEPHONE INQUIRY - INFORMATION CONCERNING

[redacted] Atlanta, Georgia, telephone Walnut 6040, called at 3:55 a.m., July 13, 1952. He stated he had been trying to contact Senator Russell, of Georgia, in Washington, D. C., by phone, but had been unable to locate him and wanted the FBI to contact the Senator and have him call [redacted] in Georgia. He declined to furnish any reason for his request or any other information but kept insisting that the Bureau have the Senator call him. It was suggested to [redacted] that he leave such message with the Long Distance Operator.

Bureau indices check failed to reflect any references identifiable with [redacted]

ACTION:

For your information and record purposes.

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August 31, 1953

Honorable Richard B. Russell
United States Senator
Winder, Georgia

My dear Senator:

I want to send this personal note to express my great sorrow at the news of the passing of your mother.

While I realize how inadequate mere words are at a time such as this, I know you can take some comfort in the knowledge that the thoughts of your friends are with you. You have my deepest sympathy in your bereavement.

Sincerely yours,

Edgar Hoover

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cc - Atlanta

NOTE: Files reflect prior cordial relations with Senator Russell and nothing derogatory concerning him. Home address per "Who's Who in America, 1952-53."

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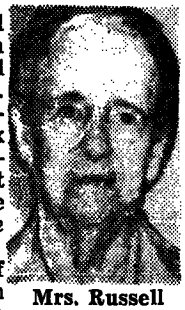
# Mrs. Russell, Mother of Senator, Dies

Mrs. Richard Brevard Russell, sr., mother of Sen. Richard B. Russell (D-Ga.), died yesterday at her home in Winder, Ga. She was 85.



Mrs. Russell

Mrs. Russell was stricken with a cerebral hemorrhage. Her physician-son, Dr. Alex Russell of Winder, arrived at her home shortly before her death.

Members of her family in Washington left for Winder immediately. They included the Senator, three of Mrs. Russell's daughters and another son.

Mrs. Russell was a member of one of Georgia's most distinguished families.

Her husband, a Georgia Supreme Court chief justice, died many years ago.

In addition to Senator Russell and Dr. Russell, Mrs. Russell is survived by five other sons, Federal Judge Robert Russell and William Russell, a farmer, who live in Winder; Dr. Henry Edward Russell, a Presbyterian minister, of Montgomery, Ala.; Fielding D. Russell, a professor at Georgia State Teachers' College at Statesboro; Walter Russell, a businessman of Durham, N. C. and six daughters, Mrs. S. Gordon Green, of Alexandria, Va.; Mrs. J. K. Stacy, of Washington; Mrs. James H. Bowden, of Atlanta; Mrs. S. R. Sharpton, of Washington; Mrs. Raymond L. Nelson, of Macon, Ga.; and Mrs. Hugh Peterson, of Ailey, L[illegible]

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United States Senate

WASHINGTON, D. C.

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Miss Gandy

September 17, 1953

Dear Mr. Hoover:

Let me sincerely thank you for your kind message of sympathy on the passing of my mother. I shall never forget your thoughtfulness.

Mother was the greatest person I have ever known. Her children were certainly blest. One is never prepared for such a loss, but the knowledge that our friends are thinking of us gives us courage and helps to sustain us in such a time of trial.

Sincerely,

Dick Russell

Honorable J. Edgar Hoover
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

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November 9, 1954

PERSONAL

Honorable Richard B. Russell
United States Senator
Winder, Georgia

My dear Senator:

It is indeed good to see that you will be returning to the Senate for a new term, and I wanted to take this means of wishing you all possible success.

We in the FBI appreciate the fine support you have given us in the past, and I know you will not hesitate to let us know if we can help in matters of mutual interest.

Sincerely yours,
J. Edgar Hoover

NOTE: Letter per instructions from Mr. Nichols.
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WASHINGTON, D. C.

November 8, 1954

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G. I. R. -9

Dear Mr. Hoover:

Let me sincerely thank you for your thoughtful congratulatory message.

The people of Georgia have been more than generous to me, and my uncontested reelection to the Senate will serve as a further spur to render the best service of which I am capable to my country and my State.

Again thanking you and with kind personal regards, I am

Sincerely,

Dick Russell

Honorable J. Edgar Hoover, Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

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Mr. Tolson

Nov. 15, 1954

L. B. Nichols

SAC Laughlin of the Washington Field Office called to advise that [redacted], the contact with the telephone company, had informed him that a [redacted] in the office of Senator Richard Russell (D., Ga.), had visited the Vice President of General Counsel and had complained about her telephone being tapped and that she thought it was being done by the FBI. [redacted] made a check and found there was no tap and informed [redacted]

Laughlin checked their files and could find no record of [redacted] She lives in the Argonne Apartments and her telephone is listed in the name of [redacted] There was no information in the files on [redacted]

Since this information was furnished confidentially by the telephone company and the telephone company has informed [redacted] that the FBI did not have a tap on her telephone, I do not see there is any further action we can take.

"Sometime when Nichols is talking to Sen. Russell he should get this over so he may have no suspicion." H.

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TO : Mr. Tolson

DATE: December 16, 1954

FROM : L. B. Nichols

SUBJECT: SENATOR RICHARD B. RUSSELL
D-GEORGIA

Lehman Anderson in Senator Russell's Office called on December 15, 1954, and made reference to a Special Agent who has been in the FBI for only a period of four months. This Agent is from Senator Russell's district in Georgia. He has written a letter to Mr. Anderson in the Senator's Office inquiring as to the possibilities of being employed by the Senator. He stated that his reason for desiring to leave the FBI was strictly because of not receiving enough salary. Anderson confidentially advised that this young man was single; however, felt that he should make more than $5500 a year. He said that apparently there was no dissatisfaction with his assignment in the FBI, but that the new Agent wanted merely to gain experience in politics and possibly make a little more money. Anderson stated that there was no certainty that they could give him more than the amount he is currently receiving.

We tried to pin Anderson down on a friendly basis as to the identity of the Agent; however, he indicated that the Agent had written him confidentially and that he could not violate this confidence. Anderson desired to know of the steps in advancement regarding Agents' salary. He was advised of the starting salary and of promotional opportunities in the FBI.

ACTION:

It is suggested this memorandum be forwarded to the Administrative Division for informational purposes.

cc - Mr. Mohr

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Tic: Mr. Belmont
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Mr. William P. Rogers (orig & 1)
Deputy Attorney General

August 11, 1955

Director, FBI

SENATOR RICHARD B. RUSSELL
MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING (ESPIONAGE)

A source which has furnished reliable information in the past has advised that the Soviet Embassy has been contacted to obtain an application for a Soviet visa for Senator Richard B. Russell of Georgia. b7D

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cc - 1 - Assistant Attorney General
William F. Tompkins

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# Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

G.I.R.-6

TO : Mr. Tolson

DATE: 8/18/55

FROM : L. B. Nichols

SUBJECT: SENATOR RICHARD B. RUSSELL, JR. (D-GA.)
EUROPEAN TRIP

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Former Special Agent Bill Jordan, who is now administrative assistant in Senator Russell's Office, called DeLoach, 8/15/55, and indicated that the Senator was sending a representative of his office to the Polish Embassy on 8/16/55, to pick up a visa for the Senator. Jordan stated the Senator's representative would be driving a blue 1954 Oldsmobile with Maryland tags JF-4449. Jordan stated he merely wanted to advise us of this fact. After Mr. Jordan's call, SAC Laughlin of the Washington Field Office was notified of the above information.

ACTION:

For information.

cc - Mr. Belmont

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[redacted] MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION CONCERNING (IS - R)

[redacted] advised 9/7/55 that Sec to Senator RUSSELL (RICHARD B.) advised [redacted] at Soviet Embassy that RUSSELL, in Helsinki, cabled him to contact embassy and see if visa can be secured for [redacted] to accompany RUSSELL when he enters Russia about Sept. 20. b6 b7C b7D

WFO files reflect one [redacted] Personal history statement reflects [redacted]

Submitted for infc. No investigation contemplated.

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# Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

G. I. R. -10

TO : Mr. Mohr

DATE: 4-19-56

FROM : H. L. Edwards

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SUBJECT: INQUIRY BY OFFICE OF SENATOR RICHARD B. RUSSELL
Summer Employment

On 4-19-56 Mr. Bill Jordon in the office of Senator Richard B. Russell of Georgia telephonically contacted the Bureau Applicant Office to inquire as to the possibilities of summer employment.

Mr. Jordon was advised that the Bureau is meeting its employment needs primarily through full-time employees and only a very small number of summer applicants are being hired. As a result only those with previous FBI experience are being considered which obviates the necessity of training them for such short time employment. He was informed the Bureau regretted that it could not be more encouraging in this respect.

ACTION: None. Submitted for information purposes only.

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# Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : MR. TOLSON

DATE: February 1, 1957

FROM : L. B. NICHOLS

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SUBJECT: [redacted]
INFORMATION CONCERNING

Bill Jordan of Senator Richard Russell's office (D.-Ga.) called 1-25-57 to inquire as to the current address of the captioned individual. Jordan stated that [redacted]'s son is currently a student at Mercer University, he has not heard from his father for several years, and would like to get in touch with him.

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After checking Identification Division indices and central files, Mr. Jordan was advised that the latest known address we had on [redacted] was a fingerprint form dated August 26, 1955, indicating an address of [redacted] At that time [redacted] was applying for a position with the Construction Management Engineers, U. S. Army, with duty station in Austria. Jordan stated this would assist him a great deal and that the Senator's office would get in touch with the Army.

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For record purposes.

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cc-Mr. Jones
CDD:jmr
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# Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : The Director

DATE:

FROM : J. P. Mohr

SUBJECT: The Congressional Record

Pages 11110-11115 Senator Stennis, (D) Mississippi, requested to have printed in the Record two television interviews with Senator Russell, (D) Georgia, on the civil rights issue. The reference to the FBI on page 11114, contained in Mr. Russell's remarks, was set forth in a memorandum written earlier this date.

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In the original of a memorandum captioned and dated as above, the Congressional Record for , was reviewed and pertinent items were marked for the Director's attention. This form has been prepared in order that portions of a copy of the original memorandum may be clipped, mounted, and placed in appropriate Bureau case or subject matter files.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

*In Reply, Please Refer to File No.*

WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

October 8, 1957

*THE ASSISTANT CHIEF OF STAFF,*
*INTELLIGENCE, DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY*
*NAME CHECK REQUESTS*

Reference is made to your name check requests concerning the individuals listed below, requesting only copies of reports of any security-type investigations conducted by this Bureau. In response you are advised that no such investigations of these persons have been conducted by the FBI:

Leslie C. Arends
Born: September 27, 1895
Melvin, Illinois

Frank H. Bartholomew
Born: October 5, 1898
San Francisco, California

Styles B. Bridges
Born: September 9, 1898
West Pembroke, Maine

Benjamin H. Chasin
Born: May 24, 1910
New York, New York

Sam J. Ervin
Born: September 27, 1896
Morgantown, North Carolina

James E. Folsom
Born: October 9, 1908
Coffee City, Alabama-

Lister Hill
Born: December 27, 1894
Montgomery, Alabama

Luther H. Hodges
Born: March 9, 1898
Pittssylvania County, Alabama

Robert E. Jones
Born: June 12, 1912
Scottsboro, Alabama

Alton Lennon
Born: August 17, 1906
Wilmington, North Carolina

William Edward Robinson
Born: June 27, 1900
Providence, Rhode Island

Richard L. Roudebush
Born: January 18, 1918
Nobleville, Indiana

Richard B. Russell
Born: November 2, 1897
Winder, Georgia

Leverett Saltonstall
Born: September 1, 1892
Chestnut Hill, Massachusetts

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R. H. McLean/sjm
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The Assistant Chief of Staff
Intelligence, Department of the Army
Name Check Requests

W. Kerr Scott
Born: April 17, 1896
Haw River, North Carolina

Frank J. Starzel
Born: February 29, 1904
Le Mars, Iowa

Joseph Kingsbury Smith
Born: February 20, 1908
New York, New York

Stewart Sutullo
Born: July 19, 1923
Cleveland, Ohio

John J. Sparkman
Born: December 20, 1899
Morgan County, Alabama

Carl Vinson
Born: November 18, 1883
Baldwin County, Georgia

The foregoing information is furnished to you as a result of your request for an FBI file check and is not to be construed as a clearance or a nonclearance of the individuals involved. This information is loaned for your use and is not to be disseminated outside of your agency.

Note: The above-mentioned name check requests received through Liaison from Lieutenant Colonel Robert Reppa who advised that the above individuals are to be guests invited to Fort Bragg and Redstone Arsenal at the time of President Eisenhower's visit (October 28-29, 1957). See memo from Mr. Roach to Mr. Belmont dated October 4, 1957, in which Colonel Reppa stated that Bureau could limit the search to main security-type investigative files only furnishing ACSI with the results of any security investigations conducted by this Bureau

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- ☐ Forward to File Review
- ☐ Attention _____
- ☐ Return to _____
  Supervisor Room Ext.

Type of References Requested:

- ☐ Regular Request (Analytical Search)
- ☐ All References (Subversive & Nonsubversive)
- ☐ Subversive References Only
- ☐ Nonsubversive References Only
- ☑ Main Subversive References Only

Type of Search Requested:

- ☐ Restricted to Locality of _____
- ☐ Exact Name Only (On the Nose)
- ☐ Buildup ☐ Variations
- ☐ Check for Alphabetical Loyalty Form

Subject Parnell, Richard B.
Birthdate & Place
Address

Localities

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI (100-423395) 1/8/58

SAC, WFO (100-33226)

WHITE CITIZENS COUNCILS, aka
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(OO: WFO)

Re WFO airtel dated 1/3/58 stating that [redacted] advised on that date that according to [redacted] Secretary-Treasurer of captioned group, Senator RICHARD B. RUSSELL or someone "connected" with him, gave the Seaboard White Citizens Councils about 4,000 copies of "A Tragedy of Errors," a reprint of remarks of the Senator in the U. S. Senate on 8/23/57. b6 b7C b7D

In connection with the above, a review of WFO files reflect that on 12/11/57 an anonymous source furnished information concerning a letter dated 11/15/57 from "JOHN" (KASPER) to [redacted] entitled "Final instructions." The letter then listed six itemized things to be done. The sixth and final instruction was as follows: "Write Senator RUSSELL for 1000s more of enclosed." While no enclosure could be associated with this letter, it would appear that the letter refers to the above "A Tragedy of Errors." b6 b7C

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# Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : MR. A. H. BELMONT

DATE: January 9, 1958

FROM : MR. R. R. ROACH

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SUBJECT: DISSEMINATION OF LITERATURE IN FRANKED ENVELOPES EMANATING FROM THE OFFICE OF UNITED STATES SENATOR RICHARD B. RUSSELL INFORMATION CONCERNING

#235,179

ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED DATE 9/8/83 BY SP1 Mac/vp

Richard B. Russell

An informant of our Washington Field Office has advised that the White Citizens Councils of District of Columbia (WCCDA) has received from Senator Russell's Office 4,000 reprints of an article which was printed in the "Congressional Record," at Senator Russell's request. This article was placed in approximately 4,000 envelopes which were sealed and had been furnished to the WCCDA for dissemination.

Today, Mr. Whaley of the Liaison Section contacted Chief Postal Inspector David Stephens and during the conversation asked the Chief if a Congressman or Senator took articles from the "Congressional Record," had them reprinted, placed them in his own private sealed envelopes, and then furnished to an independent agency for mailing, if this would be a postal violation. The Chief was advised that Mr. Whaley was only mentioning the above as a hypothetical case and wondered if the Chief could advise whether a postal law would be violated. Senator Russell's name was not mentioned.

Chief Stephens stated that the Post Office has received complaints of similar incidents in the past and specifically referred to a recent case in the State of New Jersey that was almost identical with this case and he stated that the Post Office had resolved the matter in favor of the Congressman, stating that it was felt that the independent agency had only done the Congressman a favor by addressing the envelopes. He stated that it would have been perfectly legal for the independent agency to furnish its mailing list to the Congressman and he in turn could have addressed the envelopes. The Chief stated that he, himself, would not consider the above facts to be a violation of postal laws. He stated that it could possibly be a minor technical violation but he was sure

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1 - Mr. Belmont
1 - Mr. C. F. Williams
1 - Liaison Section
1 - Mr. Whaley

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that any complaints would be resolved in the favor of the Congressman. The Chief was asked if we received any similar complaints whether the Post Office would want to be advised of same. The Chief stated that frankly he would not be anxious to receive the complaint and he then repeated himself stating that he did not think it would be a violation.

ACTION:

Informative.

STANDARD FORM NO. 64

# Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : L. V. Boardman

DATE: January 10, 1958

FROM : A. H. Belmont

SUBJECT: DISSEMINATION OF LITERATURE IN FRANKED ENVELOPES EMANATING FROM THE OFFICE OF UNITED STATES SENATOR RICHARD B. RUSSELL INFORMATION CONCERNING

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#235,179

ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED DATE 9/8/83 BY SP1 Mack

A Washington Field Office informant in the White Citizens Councils of District of Columbia (WCCDC) has advised WCCDC obtained from United States Senator Richard B. Russell (Democrat - Georgia), or someone "connected" with him, 4,000 reprints of an article "A Tragedy of Errors," which was printed in the "Congressional Record" at Senator Russell's request. This article consists of a talk made by Attorney W. E. Michael of Sweetwater, Tennessee, before the Civitan Club of Knoxville, Tennessee, on August 16, 1957.

According to the informant, the reprints are in manila envelopes which bear Senator Russell's frank and can be sent to anyone the WCCDC designates.

This is not a violation within the Bureau's jurisdiction.

The facts in this matter were presented by Liaison Agent Whaley to Chief Postal Inspector David Stephens as a hypothetical case. Stephens advised that he did not consider the above facts to be a violation of postal laws and he would not be anxious to receive a complaint of this nature.

RECOMMENDATION:

In view of the above facts this information is being furnished only to the Deputy Attorney General for his information. A letter to Deputy Attorney General is attached for your approval.

Enclosure sent 1-10-58

1 - Mr. Boardman
1 - Mr. Belmont
1 - Liaison Section
1 - Mr. Williams

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1 - Mr. Williams

Mr. Lawrence E. Walsh
Deputy Attorney General

January 10, 1958

Director, FBI

DISSEMINATION OF LITERATURE IN FRANKED ENVELOPES EMANATING FROM THE OFFICE OF UNITED STATES SENATOR RICHARD B. RUSSELL INFOMATION CONCERNING

ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED DATE 9/7/83 BY SP2 mac/rp #255,179

For your information a confidential informant, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised on January 3, 1958, that according to [redacted], secretary-treasurer of White Citizens Councils of District of Columbia, United States Senator Richard B. Russell or someone "connected" with him, gave the White Citizens Councils of District of Columbia about 4,000 copies of "A Tragedy of Errors," which consists of a talk by Attorney W. E. Michael of Sweetwater, Tennessee, before the Civitan Club of Knoxville, Tennessee, on August 16, 1957. The comments of Michael were printed in the "Congressional Record" at Senator Russell's request. b6 b7C

The informant stated that these reprints are in sealed envelopes which bear Senator Russell's frank and can be sent to anyone the White Citizens Councils of District of Columbia designates.

The informant stated it was his impression that [redacted], executive secretary of the White Citizens Councils of District of Columbia, obtained these reprints. b6 b7C

With regard to the above another source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, made available on December 11, 1957, information concerning a letter dated November 15, 1957, from "John" (probably John Kasper) to [redacted] which letter was captioned "Final Instructions." The letter listed six things to be done, one of which was,. "Write Senator Russell for 1000s more of enclosed." b6 b7C

1 - Bufile 100-423395 (White Citizens Councils of D. C.)
NOTE ON YELLOW:

See memo Belmont to Boardman, 1/7/58, CPW:djh captioned as above.

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Mr. Lawrence E. Walsh

This source furnished no material which could be identified as the enclosure to this letter; however, "John" may have been referring to copies of "A Tragedy of Errors" referred to above.

For your information John Kasper was formerly executive secretary of White Citizens Councils of District of Columbia. On October 17, 1957, Kasper was taken into custody by United States Marshals in Washington, D. C., and on November 22, 1957, began serving a one-year sentence at the Federal Correctional Institution, Tallahassee, Florida, for "willful contempt" due to his activities in Clinton, Tennessee, in August, 1956.

1 - Mr. Williams

Mr. Lawrence E. Walsh
Deputy Attorney General

January 14, 1958

Director, FBI

DISSEMINATION OF LITERATURE IN FRANKED ENVELOPES EMANATING FROM THE OFFICE OF UNITED STATES SENATOR RICHARD B. RUSSELL
INFORMATION CONCERNING

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Reference is made to my memorandum dated January 10, 1958, in which you were furnished information concerning the captioned matter.

For your additional information a confidential informant, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised that on January 8, 1958, [redacted], secretary-treasurer of the White Citizens Councils of District of Columbia, stated that the material received from Senator Richard B. Russell's office for mailing by White Citizens Councils of District of Columbia was procured by an individual named [redacted] who works in the Senator's office.

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On this occasion [redacted] mentioned that the envelopes obtained from the Senator's office were being opened, that other material was being inserted and White Citizens Councils of District of Columbia was sending them out with a three-cent stamp affixed.

1 - Bufile 100-423395 (White Citizens Councils of D.C.)

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STANDARD FORM NO. 64

# Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : L. V. Boardman

DATE: January 16, 1958

FROM : A. H. Belmont

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SUBJECT: DISSEMINATION OF LITERATURE IN FRANKED ENVELOPES EMANATING FROM THE OFFICE OF UNITED STATES SENATOR RICHARD B. RUSSELL INFORMATION CONCERNING

By memorandum 1/10/58 you were advised that the White Citizens Councils of District of Columbia (WCCDC) had obtained from the office of United States Senator Richard B. Russell (Democrat-Georgia) 4,000 reprints of an article "A Tragedy of Errors," which was printed in the "Congressional Record" at the request of Senator Russell. These reprints are in manila envelopes which bear Senator Russell's frank and are being distributed by WCCDC to anyone that organization so designates.

The Liaison Section determined through contact with the post office that the above facts are not considered a violation of postal laws.

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It was subsequently determined these reprints were being obtained from [redacted] who works in the Senator's office; that the franked envelopes were being opened by WCCDC; that other material of that organization was being inserted; and that the envelopes were being mailed to individuals designated by WCCDC with a 3-cent stamp affixed.

By airtel 1/14/58 Washington Field Office furnished one of these envelopes with its contents which had been obtained from Army Intelligence. The material included by WCCDC prior to mailing consists of an appeal for funds in behalf of John Kasper, criticism of the United States Supreme Court and condemnation of Jews, among which were such prominent individuals as Bernard Baruch, Felix Frankfurter, Henry Morganthau, Anna Rosenberg and Herbert Lehman. In addition to the Senator's frank the envelope bears the return address of the WCCDC.

OBSERVATIONS:

Pertinent information concerning this matter has been furnished Deputy Attorney General Walsh by letters dated 1/10 and 14/58. The only additional information set forth in Washington Field Office airtel 1/14/58 is a description of the material inserted by WCCDC, therefore, no communication is being directed to the Deputy Attorney General at this time.

Enclosure per C-1-17-58

1 - Mr. Nease
1 - Mr. Boardman
1 - Mr. Belmont
1 - Mr. Williams
CFW:dlh
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1 - Bufile 100-423395 (White Citizens Councils of D. C.)

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Memorandum for Mr. Boardman
Re: Dissemination of Literature
in Franked Envelopes Emanating from the
Office of United States Senator Richard B. Russell

Although Senator Russell favors continued segregation it appears that he may be unaware that his name and material are being utilized by the WCCDC to solicit aid for John Kasper and to castigate the United States Supreme Court and prominent Jews. Bufiles reveal that Senator Russell, who is a member of the Senate Appropriations Committee, has had a cordial relationship with the Bureau dating back to at least 1940. He has been contacted in the past by Mr. Nichols. It is not known if the [redacted] employed in the Senator's office is related to him. b6 b7C

RECOMMENDATIONS:

(1) It is suggested that under the circumstances it may be desirable for Mr. Nease to confidentially advise Senator Russell concerning the use of his name and material by the WCCDC. If for no other purpose such a contact might serve to prevent this organization from securing additional material from the Senator's office in the future and thereby capitalizing on his prominence.

(2) There is attached for your approval a letter to Washington Field Office returning the envelope and its contents inasmuch as Washington Field so requested that they be returned.

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# Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. Tolson

DATE: 1/17/58

FROM : G. A. Nease

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SUBJECT: DISSEMINATION OF LITERATURE IN FRANKED ENVELOPES EMANATING FROM THE OFFICE OF U.S. SENATOR RICHARD B. RUSSELL

Mr. Belmont's memorandum 1/16/58 to Mr. Boardman reflected that Senator Russell's franked envelopes were being used to distribute literature concerning the White Citizens Councils of the District of Columbia.

Bill Jordan, Senator Russell's Legislative Assistant, called Mr. DeLoach 1/16/58 on two occasions throughout the day to explain the above matter. Jordan stated that an attorney by the name of Michael from Tennessee made a speech last summer entitled "Tragedy of Errors." Senator Russell thought this was a good speech and had it inserted into the Congressional Record. Michael later approached the Senator and asked for additional copies, indicating at the time there was a large demand for this speech. Michael stated that the speech would be distributed through the Committee for Constitutional Government. He advised Leeman Anderson, Senator Russell's Administrative Assistant, of the latter distribution. Senator Russell knew nothing of this. Michael also requested that distribution of the speech be handled through the Senator's franked envelope, which was approved by Leeman Anderson.

After obtaining the frank envelopes, the Committee for Constitutional Government did not mail out all the speeches that had been given to them by Michael. On the contrary, this committee allowed other organizations to mail out the said speech with the explicit understanding that the envelopes would include only the speech. One of the organizations allowed to do this was the Seaboard White Citizens Council. According to Jordan, Senator Russell knew nothing of the manner in which the Committee for Constitutional Government allowed other organizations to handle this distribution. The Seaboard White Citizens Council apparently inserted their own literature in the Senator's envelopes rather than sending the speech "Tragedy of Errors" as the Committee for Constitutional Government intended them to do.

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cc - Mr. Boardman
cc - Mr. Belmont
cc - Mr. Williams
cc - Mr. Jones
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Memo to Mr. Tolson
DISSEMINATION OF LITERATURE IN FRANKED
ENVELOPES FROM SENATOR RUSSELL'S OFFICE

Jordan stated that on the third of this month, Senator Russell's office began receiving mail stamped "Addressee Not at Address Listed" as so often happens in any "mail-out" of quantity. The Senator's office noticed that White Citizens Council literature was in the envelopes. Senator Russell immediately called in the postal authorities but was advised that there appeared to be little chance of a violation. The postal authorities have since told the Senator there now appears to be a good chance of mail fraud and they are proceeding along that angle.

Mr. Jordan requested any available public source information we might have on the Committee for Constitutional Government and [redacted] The latter individual is reportedly an officer of the Committee for Constitutional Government.

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After checking, Mr. Jordan was advised on a confidential basis that we had never investigated [redacted] and he might desire to check the records of the House Committee on Un-American Activities concerning the Committee for Constitutional Government. This Committee's files have considerable information concerning contempt citations against the said organization and specifically citations against an individual by the name of [redacted] who at one time was [redacted] of this organization. Jordan was most appreciative.

ACTION: For information.

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July 30, 1958

Honorable Richard B. Russell
Room 205
Senate Office Building
Washington, D. C.

My dear Senator:

I want to thank you very much for commenting on the floor yesterday on the award which I received recently from the National Association of County and Prosecuting Attorneys.

It certainly was thoughtful of you to bring this matter to the attention of your colleagues, and I was greatly encouraged to read your own generous comments.

With warmest good wishes,

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

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## FURTHERANCE OF JUSTICE AWARD PRESENTED TO FBI DIRECTOR J. EDGAR HOOVER

Mr. RUSSELL. Mr. President, the name of John Edgar Hoover is known in every American household. Many honors have come to him through the years for his vigilance and determination in combating crime.

The National Association of County and Prosecuting Attorneys, at its annual meeting held in Atlantic City, has made to Mr. Hoover its first annual furtherance of justice award.

I ask unanimous consent that there may be printed in the body of the RECORD a brief statement outlining the action that was taken, and setting forth the reasons for this award to Mr. Hoover.

There being no objection, the statement was ordered to be printed in the RECORD, as follows:

FURTHERANCE OF JUSTICE AWARD PRESENTED TO FBI DIRECTOR J. EDGAR HOOVER

The National Association of County and Prosecuting Attorneys, composed of prosecutors throughout the United States, on July 21, 1958, presented to Mr. John Edgar Hoover, Director of the FBI, its first annual furtherance of justice award. This award was given to Mr. Hoover for his outstanding leadership in law enforcement and is to be annually presented to the American who has done the most for the cause of justice during the previous year.

In presenting this award, Mr. Frank E. Moss, president of the association, stated, "Mr. Hoover symbolizes the ultimate in justice, enlightened police and investigative techniques, and American courage in the interest of right. By each of our oaths, we members of the National Association of County and Prosecuting Attorneys are bound to uphold and encourage the kind of citizenship which Mr. Hoover has held out to the world for so many years. It is fitting, therefore, that this association formally give homage to Mr. Hoover, pledge to him our continued confidence and unwavering cooperation, and wish him many more active years at his post."

**Congressional Record**
**July 29, 1958**

ENCLOSURE

STANDARD FORM NO. 64

# Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : MR. A. H. BELMONT

DATE: August 12, 1958

FROM : MR. L. H. MARTIN

SUBJECT: INQUIRY FROM MRS. WEANT
OFFICE OF SENATOR RICHARD B. RUSSELL

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Mrs. Weant of the office of Senator Russell called at 10:50 AM, August 12, 1958, and advised that Senator Russell had received an inquiry from a constituent concerning propaganda which he had received from the Soviet Embassy, Washington, D. C., consisting of a copy of one of Khrushchev's letters to President Eisenhower. She said that the constituent had indicated he had written to the FBI about the matter and had received a reply and he was now inquiring of Senator Russell whether something could be done about the distribution of such propaganda. Mrs. Weant wanted to know whether we could be of any assistance, stating that since the constituent had already received an answer to his inquiry from the FBI, she could not figure out why he was now making inquiry of Senator Russell. She wanted to know if there is any way of keeping the Soviet Embassy from mailing out such material.

Mrs. Weant was advised that if the material is properly identified, as this was, there is no statute which would prevent the Soviet Embassy from distributing it and that the constituent is now apparently communicating with Senator Russell with the idea in mind of suggesting that further legislation be considered. Mrs. Weant said that this must be the case and expressed appreciation.

For your information.

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Mr. Belmont
cc Mr. Nease
Mr. Branigan

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Director, FBI (80-768)

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UNSUB (FEMALE), COMMENT, WCPO RADIO,
CINCINNATI, OHIO, JANUARY 2, 1980

Reurtel 1-8-80 covering transmittal of magnetic tape containing recorded comment by unknown female over radio station WCPO on 1-2-80, that Senator Richard Russell "should be shot" for his racial views.

The two seven-inch reels of tape which were submitted have been reviewed at the Bureau. They are being returned to your office under separate cover by registered mail. You should make certain that the two reels are returned to the program director of radio station WCPO so that he may dispose of them as he sees fit.

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1 - Mr. Rosen

NOTE: Tape should not be destroyed by Bureau. Return to station WCPO - it can dispose of tape.

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On 1-2-59, an unknown female speaking with a foreign accent telephoned radio station WCPO in Cincinnati, Ohio, in connection with a program known as "Speak Up." She voiced her opinion of Senator Richard Russell of Georgia, calling him a crackpot, dictator and a law breaker who should be shot. She said in her opinion Senator Russell is trying to get rid of the colored people. As is customary on the "Speak Up" program over station WCPO the views of those who call in are broadcast over the air and a tape recording is made at the time. The tape recording in this case is being submitted to the FBI.

The radio broadcast of these comments concerning Senator Russell were brought to the attention of the Cincinnati Division by James W. Beckman of Cincinnati on 1-3-59. Beckman recalls the woman's comments occurred about midway in a program discussing Senator Russell's proposal for Federal aid for Negroes who want to move to other parts of the U. S. Beckman states that in 1919 he first proposed reform in the military code, which with the help of Senator Russell, culminated in a uniform code of military justice after 31 years. Beckman said he advised Senator Russell by letter 1-3-58, and notified the Cincinnati Division in the interest of Senator Russell's protection. Beckman is 70 years of age and until recently was a real estate operator in Cincinnati before illness necessitated his retirement. News accounts in credit union files report Beckman is widely known for many public spirited activities especially a 28 year fight for court martial reform for which he has won national recognition. In 1950 Beckman wrote a letter to the Cincinnati Post in which he claimed to have started nationwide "Save America Campaign" with avowed purpose to preserve "our American democracy." He called for eliminating "communist trends in our Government" at the polls.

No further action is being taken with respect to this matter. Mr. Nease's office has been advised and a copy of this wire routed to him.

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
COMMUNICATIONS SECTION

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Mr. Tolson
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Mr. Mohr
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URGENT 1-8-59 4-07 PM TJS

TO DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM SAC, CINCINNATI 7P

UNSUB ~~PAREN~~ ( FEMALE ) ~~END PAREN~~, COMMENT, WCPO RADIO, CINCINNATI, OHIO, JANUARY TWO, FIFTY-NINE, THAT SENATOR RICHARD RUSSELL SHOULD BE SHOT. MISCELLANEOUS. JAMES W. BECKMAN, CINCINNATI, ON JANUARY THREE LAST TELEPHONICALLY COMPLAINED TO THIS OFFICE THAT ON WKRC ~~QUOTE~~ " PARTY LINE " ~~UNQUOTE PAREN~~ ( PL ) ~~END PAREN;~~ UNKNOWN WOMAN WITH FOREIGN ACCENT ADVOCATED ASSASSINATION OF SENATOR RUSSELL, VOICE SAYING ~~QUOTE~~ " THE SENATOR SHOULD BE SHOT " ~~UNQUOTE~~. FOLLOWING INVESTIGATION CONDUCTED BY SA THOMAS B. ESTEP ON JANUARY FIVE ~~DASH~~ SEVEN, NINETEEN FIFTY-NINE. TED MC KAY, MASTER OF CEREMONIES OF PL, ADVISED JANUARY FIVE LAST THAT HIS PROGRAM ON FIVE DAYS WEEKLY AND JANUARY TWO LAST WAS OVER AIR FROM SEVEN TO EIGHT P.M. HIS PROGRAM RECORDED AND NAMES AND ADDRESSES AND SUBJECT TO BE DISCUSSED LISTED BY TELEPHONE OPERATOR PRIOR TO PERSON TALKING ON PROGRAM. HE COULD NOT RECALL ANYTHING BEING SAID ON PROGRAM

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JANUARY TWO LAST CONCERNING ANY SENATOR AND COULD NOT IDENTIFY VOICE. HE DID NOT BELIEVE ANYTHING SO HARSH HAD BEEN SAID ON HIS PROGRAM AS HE WOULD HAVE RECALLED IT SINCE PROGRAM POLICY IS NOT TO PERMIT DISCUSSIONS ON MEDICAL, RELIGIOUS, POINTS OF LAW AND RACIAL ISSUES AND HE LISTENS TO STOP ANYTHING LIKE THAT. STATED HE WOULD DISCREETLY DISCUSS WITH PROGRAM DIRECTOR AND ENDEAVOR MAKE TAPE AND LIST OF TALKERS AVAILABLE. E.J. KENNEDY, PROGRAM DIRECTOR, WKRC, ADVISED JANUARY SIX LAST THAT PL TAPE AND LIST OF TALKERS WOULD BE AVAILABLE JANUARY SEVEN, THAT HE HAD DISCUSSED WITH MC KAY WHO HAS NO RECOLLECTION COMMENTS ON SENATOR AND UNIDENTIFIED PERSON INVOLVED. STATED TAPE WOULD NORMALLY BE DESTROYED AFTER ONE WEEK. ON JANUARY SEVEN LAST WKRC TAPE AND LIST FOR JANUARY TWO LAST PROGRAM REVIEWED WITH MC KAY NEGATIVELY. COMPLAINANT RECONTACTED SAME DATE AND ADVISED HE HAD SENT INFORMATION ON BROADCAST TO SENATOR RICHARD RUSSELL BY LETTER JANUARY THREE LAST ADVISING OF COMMENT OVER RADIO AND THAT HE, BECKMAN, HAD NOTIFIED LOCAL FBI. BECKMAN

ADVISED AGENT COMMENT WAS MADE BY WOMAN WITH HEAVY FOREIGN ACCENT, POSSIBLY EUROPEAN, ABOUT MIDDLE OF PROGRAM ON PROPOSITION ~~QUOTE~~ "WHAT DO YOU THINK OF SENATOR RUSSELL-S PROPOSAL FOR FEDERAL AID TO NEGROES WHO WANT TO MOVE TO OTHER PARTS OF COUNTRY" ~~UNQUOTE~~. BECKMAN STATED WOMAN SAID ~~QUOTE~~ "I HOPE THEY KILL HIM" ~~UNQUOTE~~ AND TALKED MORE OF LESS HYSTERICALLY. BELIEVES HE HAS HEARD SAME VOICE ON AIR PREVIOUSLY. BECKMAN SAID HE HAS NOT BEEN ACTIVE IN REAL ESTATE BUSINESS FOR PAST THREE YEARS BECAUSE OF ILLNESSES, WAS FORMERLY SECRETARY TO ELBERT HUBBARD WHO WENT DOWN WITH LUSITANIA AND WAS ALSO ASSOCIATED WITH CORNELIUS VANDERBILT. ADVISED THAT IN NINETEEN NINETEEN, HE FIRST PROPOSED REFORM IN MILITARY CODE WHICH WITH HELP OF SENATOR RUSSELL, CULMINATED AFTER THIRTY-ONE YEARS IN UNIFORM CODE OF MILITARY JUSTICE. HE STATED HE FELT SO STRONGLY ABOUT COMMENT BY UNSUB THAT HE INFORMED FBI SO IDENTITY COULD BE OBTAINED AND PROTECTION FURNISHED SENATOR RUSSELL. TED MC KAY ADVISED AGENT THAT JACK FOGARTY, NEWS DIRECTOR, WCPO RADIO, CINCINNATI, HAS SIMILAR PROGRAM KNOWN AS ~~QUOTE~~ "SPEAK UP" ~~UNQUOTE~~ ~~PAREN~~ (SU) ~~END PAREN~~. FOGARTY ADVISED AGENT JANUARY SEVEN LAST HIS PROGRAM

ON NIGHTLY DURING WEEK AND ON FROM NINE TO NINE FIFTY-FIVE JANUARY TWO LAST. HIS PROGRAM RECORDED BUT IDENTITIES OF INDIVIDUALS TALKING OVER TELEPHONE ON BROADCAST NOT OBTAINED. FOGARTY RECALLED DISCUSSIONS ON SENATOR RUSSELL-S PROPOSAL OVER SU JANUARY TWO LAST AND SOME COMMENT BY UNKNOWN WOMAN THAT SENATOR RUSSELL SHOULD BE SHOT. ADVISED HE HAS NO WAY OF DETERMINING HER IDENTITY OR THAT OF NUMEROUS OTHERS WHO SPEAK OVER SU. WCPO TAPE FOR SU RUN OFF FOR AGENT AND REFLECTS UNKNOWN SUBJECT SAID ~~QUOTE~~ HELLO- JACK, I THINK SENATOR RUSSELL IS A CRACKPOT. WHAT IS HE TRYING TO BE. ANOTHER DICTATOR. WHO DOES HE THINK HE IS. WHY, THAT GUY SHOULD BE SHOT. THEY TAKE A MAN LIKE LINCOLN AND THEY KILL HIM. THEY OUGHT TO KILL A MAN LIKE HIM. I WOULD LIKE TO KNOW ~~DASH DASH~~. HE IS THE KIND TO GET RID OF THE COLORED PEOPLE BECAUSE HE-S A LAW BREAKER. YOU KNOW, THEY DON-T WANT TO ENFORCE THE LAW, AND THEY WANT TO BREAK THE LAW. I THINK EVERY COLORED PERSON IN THE UNITED STATES SHOULD NEVER VOTE FOR A DEMOCRAT BECAUSE THEY ALWAYS DID RIP UP AND DOWN THE COLORED PEOPLE AND I THINK IT-S

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ABOUT TIME THE COLORED ~~DASH DASH~~ DEMOCRATS BECAUSE THEY ALWAYS WAS MURDERERS AND COMMUNISTS AND DICTATORS. THAT IS ALL I GOT TO SAY. I HOPE SENATOR RUSSELL WILL GET SHOT" ~~UNQUOTE.~~ WCPO TAPE TURNED OVER BY PROGRAM DIRECTOR TO AGENT FOR DISPOSITION AND IS BEING FORWARDED SEPARATE COVER AIR MAIL REGISTERED TO FBI LABORATORY FOR ANY DISPOSITION DESIRED BY BUREAU. PERTINENT PORTION MARKED WITH WHITE PAPER INSERT ON SECOND REEL. CREDIT CHECK ON BECKMAN SHOWS MARRIED, AGE ABOUT SEVENTY, REAL ESTATE BUSINESS FOR SELF, SATISFACTORY CREDIT. FORMERLY WITH FREDERICK A. SCHMIDT COMPANY. UNIDENTIFIED UNDATED NEWSPAPER CLIPPING IN CREDIT FILE SAYS BECKMAN WIDELY KNOWN FOR HIS MANY PUBLIC SPIRITED ACTIVITIES AND THROUGH TWENTY-EIGHT YEAR FIGHT FOR COURT MARTIAL REFORM AND JUSTICE HAS WON NATIONAL RECOGNITION AS AN AUTHORITY ON SUBJECT. IN WORLD WAR I HE SERVED IN HUNDRED AND SECOND U.S. ENGINEERS IN UNITED STATES AND OVERSEAS. FOR MANY YEARS WAS PUBLIC RELATIONS DIRECTOR OF CROSLEY CORPORATION AND IN DETROIT HANDLED ADVERTISING AND SALES PROMOTION FOR NATIONAL SURVEY SERVICE PIONEERING IN SHOWING NEED

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FOR ACCURATE REAL ESTATE SURVEYS. INDICES, CINCINNATI OFFICE, REVEAL JAMES W. BECKMAN, TWO EIGHT ZERO FIVE STRATFORD AVENUE, CINCINNATI, CHAIRMAN OF ~~QUOTE~~ SAVE AMERICA COMMITTEE ~~UNQUOTE~~ AS OF DECEMBER NINETEEN FIFTY. CINCINNATI POST ARTICLE DATED AUGUST THREE NINETEEN FIFTY REFLECTS BECKMAN ONE OF FOUNDERS OF ~~QUOTE~~ SAVE AMERICA ~~UNQUOTE~~ FOUNDED PREVIOUS THURSDAY AND THAT ITS FIRST PROJECT WOULD BE TO HELP RE-ELECT SENATOR ROBERT A. TAFT. PURPOSE IS TO FIGHT FOR FREEDOM OF INDIVIDUAL AND PRINCIPLES OF FOUNDING FATHERS. BECKMAN WAS PROLIFIC LETTER WRITER AND DEEPLY CRITICAL OF ADMINISTRATION THEN. IN LETTER TO PHILADELPHIA BULLETIN DECEMBER EIGHTEEN, NINETEEN FIFTY, BECKMAN ACCUSED UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT OF BETRAYING OUR INTERESTS ABROAD AND AT HOME. CLAIMS UNITED STATES DUPED BY INTERNATIONALISM OF VARIOUS GROUPS IN NEW YORK. HE CRITICIZED ALLEGED BUREAUCRACY IN UNITED STATES AND CHARGED OUR GOVERNMENT WITH INCOMPETENCE. IN LETTER TO CINCINNATI POST AUGUST SEVEN, NINETEEN FIFTY, BECKMAN CLAIMED TO HAVE STARTED NATIONWIDE ~~QUOTE~~ SAVE AMERICA CAMPAIGN ~~UNQUOTE~~ WITH AVOWED PURPOSE TO PRESERVE ~~QUOTE~~ OUR AMERICAN DEMOCRACY ~~UNQUOTE~~. HE CALLED FOR

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ELIMINATING ~~QUOTE~~ " COMMUNIST TRENDS IN OUR GOVERNMENT ~~UNQUOTE~~ AT THE POLLS. ON SEPTEMBER FIVE NINETEEN FIFTY ONE, BALTIMORE ADVISED BUREAU AND CINCINNATI BECKMAN, VETERAN OF WORLD WAR I, ADDRESSED STATEMENT ON AUGUST TWENTY-FIVE, NINETEEN FIFTY-ONE, TO ARMED SERVICES COMMITTEE OF SENATE AND HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES IN WHICH REFERRED TO COURTS MARTIAL OF TWO MP SERGEANTS FOR ALLEGED BRUTALITIES TO ENLISTED PERSONNEL. ~~JAGB~~, NO FURTHER ACTION BEING TAKEN BY CINCINNATI OFFICE AND NO REPORT BEING SUBMITTED.

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TO : Mr. DeLoach

DATE: 2-16-60

FROM : M. A. Jones

SUBJECT: BILL BATES
ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT TO
SENATOR RICHARD B. RUSSELL
INQUIRY RE UNIFORM CRIME
REPORTS STATISTICS

SA [redacted] received a call from Bill Bates, Administrative Assistant to Senator Russell, today at 11:20 a. m., regarding a breakdown on murder statistics by state since about 1900. Bates, a former political reporter for the "Atlanta Journal," now connected with Senator Russell, is a friend of SA [redacted]. They attended the University of Georgia together. b6 b7C

Bates stated that he had checked our present and past copies of Uniform Crime Reports bulletin, but the statistics therein were not exactly what he wanted. His purpose in calling was to learn if there were any suggestions we could make as to how the information could be obtained for the Senator. It was suggested to him that he contact the Bureau of Public Health, Department of Health, Education and Welfare, since that agency does collect statistics and data relating to deaths throughout the United States and the causes of deaths as reported by the various states. These tabulations also include deaths by homicide.

Bates was extremely grateful for the information furnished and advised that this was the best lead he had received as to where he might obtain the data desired.

RECOMMENDATION:

None. For information.

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Date: March 10, 1960

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Via AIRTEL AIR MAIL
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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI ATTENTION: CRIME RECORDS

FROM: SAC, LITTLE ROCK (157-C)

NORTH LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS
POLICE DEPARTMENT
INQUIRY BY U. S. SENATOR
RICHARD B. RUSSELL, 3/8/60
RACIAL MATTERS

On 3/8/60, Chief of Police, North Little Rock, Ark., received the following telegram:

"SENATOR DOUGLAS ON SENATE FLOOR MONDAY QUOTED FIGURES IN YOUR CITY FROM UNIFORM CRIME REPORTS PUBLISHED BY F.B.I. IN SEPTEMBER 1959 ON ARRESTS FOR MURDERS AND ARRESTS FOR ALL CRIMES DURING 1958. THESE FIGURES DID NOT SHOW HOW MANY WERE WHITE AND HOW MANY WERE NEGRO. PLEASE WIRE ME COLLECT NUMBER OF WHITES AND NUMBER OF NEGROES ARRESTED IN YOUR CITY DURING 1958 FOR MURDER AND FOR ALL CRIMES. IF POSSIBLE ALSO FIGURES ON NUMBER OF ARRESTS OF WHITES FOR OFFENSES AGAINST WHITES AND AGAINST NEGROES AND NUMBER OF ARRESTS OF NEGROES FOR OFFENSES AGAINST WHITES AND AGAINST NEGROES.
RICHARD B. RUSSELL U S SENATOR WASHINGTON DC"

North Little Rock PD is answering as far as is possible the request contained in this telegram.

This is being submitted to you for information purposes. This office is taking no part in this matter to any extent. The information was furnished by Chief, North Little Rock PD, on a purely voluntary basis.

Little Rock Police Department received similar telegram, which is being answered.

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Special Agent in Charge

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TO : MR. C. D. DELOACH DATE: 4/18/60

FROM : J. J. DAUNT

SUBJECT: CALL FROM BILL JORDAN
SENATOR RICHARD B. RUSSELL'S OFFICE

Mr. Bill Jordan, on transfer from the Voucher-Statistical Section, asked whether we had in our crime statistics information on the number of indictments by state. It was explained to him that we do not have the specific information in which he is interested, that the data compiled by police goes no farther than a police administrative indication on forms provided to show the number of persons charged and the number of persons found guilty.

He also inquired as to whether we presented race data by states. He was informed that information concerning race is compiled by the police on persons arrested and is submitted to us on forms recommended for use in this police program by the International Association of Chiefs of Police; that arrest data by race is published in summary form for responding police departments and has not been published by state. He said that the information he had received confirmed what he thought the answer was but that he wanted to check with us.

RECOMMENDATION:

None. For your information.

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# Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : The Director

DATE: Apr. 26, 1960

FROM : J. P. Mohr

SUBJECT: The Congressional Record

Pages 7993-7994, Senator Hill, (D) Alabama, spoke concerning the able leadership of Senator Russell, (D) Georgia, during the debate on the civil rights bill. Mr. Hill stated "He did, in fact, earn for himself, and for the principles to which he gives such eloquent voice, still greater stature in the eyes of the Senate, the press, and the Nation." Mr. Hill included two articles from the Washington Star and one from the New York Times. The article entitled "Headline Personality--Russell Leads South Quietly, Effectively," which appeared in the Washington Star, made reference to the Little Rock school situation. It is stated "When President Eisenhower ordered Army troops to Little Rock's Central High School, the Georgian fired off a bitter telegram to the President. - - - And once he accused President Truman of planning an FBI 'gestapo' to break down racial segregation in the South."

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In the original of a memorandum captioned and dated as above, the Congressional Record for 4-25-60 was reviewed and pertinent items were marked for the Director's attention. This form has been prepared in order that portions of a copy of the original memorandum may be clipped, mounted, and placed in appropriate Bureau case or subject matter files.

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July 29, 1960

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Honorable Richard B. Russell
United States Senate
Washington 25, D. C.

My dear Senator:

Your letter dated July 22, 1960, has been received during Mr. Hoover's absence from the city, and I am acknowledging it for him.

For your information, he will still be absent from Washington on August 2, 1960, and I know he will regret not having the opportunity to meet these young people during their tour.

Sincerely yours,

Helen W. Gandy
Secretary

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NOTE: Senator Russell, Democrat-Georgia, has had cordial relations with Bureau since 1940. Tour Room advised that the tour the Senator is referring to was scheduled as outlined per a telephone call from Mr. Russell's office on 5-22-60.

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# United States Senate

COMMITTEE ON ARMED SERVICES

July 22, 1960

Mr. Tolson
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Honorable J. Edgar Hoover
Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Mr. Director:

I have been pleased to make arrangements with one of your representatives to have a group of forty-two Junior High and High School girls, and their chaperones, from Valdosta, Georgia, given a tour of the Bureau at 10 A. M., Tuesday, August 2nd.

These young ladies have expressed a strong desire to meet you in person during their tour if that is at all possible. I would be most grateful if you could fit such a meeting in with your all too busy schedule, as I know how much it would mean to them.

With assurances of esteem, I am

Sincerely,

Richard B. Russell

Richard B. Russell

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November 9, 1960

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Honorable Richard B. Russell
United States Senator
Winder, Georgia

My dear Senator:

I wish to join your many friends throughout the Nation in expressing heartiest congratulations upon your re-election to the United States Senate. I hope that the coming term will bring with it additional successes in your service to our country. You have my every good wish for the future.

With best regards,

Sincerely yours,

J. EDGAR HOOVER

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NOTE: Russell is on the Special Correspondents' List. He was sent a letter on his re-election in 1954.

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February 19, 1962

Honorable Richard B. Russell
United States Senate
Washington 25, D. C.

My dear Senator:

Your note of February 15th, with enclosure, has been received.

I regret that the FBI does not have available items such as those described in [redacted] letter which would be suitable for this type of display. Probably weapons for this purpose could be obtained from one of the branches of the military service or perhaps his local police department would be able to give assistance. b6 b7C

I am enclosing some literature on the general topic of communism which you may want to forward to your constituent. This material is available in limited quantities without charge upon request, and I would be glad to send [redacted] a supply to be used in connection with this conference if he so desires. b6 b7C

The item you sent with your communication is being returned.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

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- What You Can Do To Fight Communism
- Faith in God--Our Answer To Communism
- Let's Fight Communism Sanely!
- Christianity Today Series (The Communist Menace)
- Correspondent's enclosure.

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NOTE: Relations with Senator Russell (D - Georgia) have been generally favorable since 1940. Bufiles indicate, however, that he has been active in opposing integration. Based on information available, [redacted] cannot be identified in Bufiles.

# United States Senate

February 15, 1962

Respectfully referred to
Honorable J. Edgar Hoover, Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington 25, D. C.

for such consideration as the communication herewith submitted may warrant, and for a report thereon, in duplicate to accompany return of inclosure.

By direction of

Richard B. Russell
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February 12, 1962

Senator Richard Russell
United States Senate
Capitol Building
Washington, D. C.

Dear Senator Russell:

I am writing you in the hope that you can assist us in a Christian effort of our Seminary. On April 27-29 the Student Board of Missionary Inquiry -- which includes the faculty and student body of Columbia Theological Seminary -- will hold its 10th Annual World Missions Conference at Rock Eagle State Park.

The theme of this Conference will be: "Revolution for Christ." The idea stems from Acts 17:6 -- And when they found them not, they drew Jason and certain brethren unto the rulers of the city, crying, "These that have turned the world upside down are come hither also...." The reference here is to Paul and his workers for Christ.

The theme of this Conference is based on the historical fact that the young people of the world are habitually making revolution for spurious causes. They are overthrowing governments, societies, economies, institutions, and nations. Even when their aim is constructive, they are essentially destructive.

We sincerely feel that the wrong young people are trying to turn the world upside down for the wrong causes. The Communist young people are turning the world upside down for a faith that they have in materialism. We want to challenge more than 800 young people (college and high school), who will attend this Conference from 10 Southeastern states, including Georgia. Our challenge will be for them to make revolution for Christ -- constructively and positively seeking to overturn lives through the Holy Spirit and for Christ.

We are most anxious to acquire certain realistic displays for the lobby and the stage of the auditorium at Rock Eagle. We envision the display of revolution weapons recently used or currently used in other areas of the world -- cheap plastic bombs, pistols, grenades, etc.

Our hope is that you can arrange for the loan of such weapons from the appropriate agency or branch of service for display during this three-day Conference. Alongside these weapons, we will have displays of the Holy Bible, the stethoscope of the physician, the textbook of the

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educator. We feel that visual [illegible] can fantastically increase the impact of the theme and of the conference messages, all of which are built around the theme.

If you are not in a position to help us on this, we would deeply appreciate acknowledgement of your referral of this letter to someone who can help us.

I fully realize that this is a most unusual request. At the same time, I am hopeful that you can catch a vision of what we are earnestly seeking to accomplish. At the conclusion of this Conference, we ask for initial commitments to Jesus Christ, commitment to world missions, commitment to other forms of full time Christian service, rededication of lives previously dedicated to Christ.

This is by far the largest conference of its type in our denomination. We are hopeful of arranging some type of magazine coverage. It is a united effort of our entire Seminary — not just an isolated effort of an individual or a group.

If you can help us, we will be most grateful. If you cannot help us, we will nonetheless be grateful. Thank you for your kindness and attention in this matter.

Yours sincerely,

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Columbia Theological Seminary
Decatur, Georgia

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REC- 42 9-1-1-2181-10

January 28, 1963

Miss [redacted]
[redacted] Wisconsin Avenue, Northwest
Washington, D. C.

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Dear Miss [redacted]:

Thank you for your letter of January 22nd relative to the recent tour Miss Clara Smith made of FBI Headquarters.

It was good of you to write me concerning this, and I am glad to learn she enjoyed viewing our facilities. Her kind remarks are indeed appreciated and my associates join me in expressing our thanks for your thoughtfulness in writing.

Sincerely yours,
J. Edgar Hoover

1 - Mr. Conrad - Enclosure
2 - Tour Room - Enclosures (2)
1 - Personnel file of [redacted] Enclosure
1 - Personnel file of [redacted] - Enclosure
NOTE: [redacted] is a former Bureau employee who EOD 5-17-42, adjusted EOD 6-7-43 and resigned 2-23-62, services satisfactory. We have enjoyed cordial relations with Senator Russell since 1940. Home address per telephone directory. Bufiles contain no information identifiable with Miss Clara Smith. [redacted] is assigned to our Laboratory Division and [redacted] is assigned to Files and Communications Division.

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# United States Senate

COMMITTEE ON ARMED SERVICES

January 22, 1963

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Mr. John Edgar Hoover
Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Hoover:

I thought you might be interested in the comments of Miss Clara Smith of Athens, Georgia, who recently took a Bureau tour. She has been a long-time employee with Senator Russell and is now retiring. She had mentioned that she regretted she had never taken a tour and thought she might not be able to on short notice.

[redacted] of the FBI Laboratory (also a native Georgian) very kindly arranged a tour for Miss Smith and also accompanied her for a part of the tour. The tour leader was [redacted], and Miss Smith was glowing in her tributes to him and concerning the tour. She was obviously most impressed with the scope of the Bureau's work and the excellent manner in which it is presented to visitors. She stopped by this office to ask that her appreciation be conveyed to [redacted]

Sincerely yours,

[redacted]

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October 3, 1963

Honorable Richard B. Russell
United States Senate
Washington, D. C. 20510

My dear Senator:

Your communication of September 30, 1963, enclosing the letter written to you by [redacted] is herewith acknowledged.

An appropriate investigation will be conducted into the matter referred to in [redacted] letter. The results of the investigation will be submitted to the Civil Rights Division of the Department of Justice for its consideration.

I am returning [redacted] letter to you. Your interest in bringing this matter to my attention is appreciated.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

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NOTE: Senator Russell by communication dated 9-30-63 referred to the Bureau a letter from [redacted] who is in jail in Duval County, Florida, awaiting transfer back to Toombs County, Georgia. [redacted] states that he was forced to escape from Toombs County Jail because of brutal treatment being afforded him by the sheriff. He also alleges that he has been forced to work on the sheriff's private enterprises. Jacksonville is being instructed by airtel to interview [redacted] for details. If brutality is alleged, Savannah will conduct a preliminary investigation. Our relations with Senator Russell are cordial.

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THE FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
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TO : Mr. Bolmont

DATE: 11-1-63

FROM : C. A. Evans

SUBJECT: COMMUNIST INFLUENCE IN THE NEGRO MOVEMENT

Assistant Attorney General Marshall was contacted with reference to the letter which had been drafted to Senator Russell for the AG's signature. The undesirable language in this letter referring to sensitive FBI sources was discussed with Marshall. He said that he could see our point but that since this was the AG's letter which had already been discussed with the President, he thought we should go up and see the AG about it.

The AG read the letter with the proposed deletions and said he was not certain that it would accomplish the purpose. He called the President and told him that I had come into his office with Burke Marshall about the letter and objected that it might result in the disclosure of a very valuable Bureau source. He read the revised letter to the President who was not satisfied. The AG and Burke Marshall then redrafted the letter three times. As each draft was completed, the AG telephoned the President and read the proposal to him. None of the drafted letters were apparently acceptable. At the conclusion of the last telephone conversation, the AG said the President had advised that an innocuous letter should be sent to Senator Russell which should be delivered by Assistant AG Marshall and me. At the time the letter was delivered, Marshall was to furnish the Senator orally with the detailed information as to the Department's contacts with Martin Luther King. I was merely to assure the Senator as to the sensitive position of our informant and the fact that information from this informant of a continuing nature was vital to the country's welfare.

After the AG left for Boston, apparently as a result of further instructions from the President, it was decided Deputy AG Katzenbach would be substituted for Burke Marshall as Katzenbach knew the Senator. An appointment with the Senator was made for 5:00 P.M., November 1.

On arrival at Senator Russell's Office, he received us cordially. Katzenbach delivered the letter to him, thereafter, he orally explained the nature of the contacts which the Department had had with King. It was unnecessary for me to say anything other than to confirm Katzenbach's statement about the sensitiveness of our source.

1 - Mr. Sullivan
1 - Mr. Mohr
1 - Mr. DeLoach

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COPY SENT TO MR. TOLSON

Memorandum to Mr. Belmont
RE: COMMUNIST INFLUENCE IN THE NEGRO MOVEMENT

Senator Russell stated that he had NOT intended to cause an issue over this matter. He pointed out that the "Atlanta Constitution," which he described as a newspaper more liberal than the "Washington Post" and the "New York Times" together, had published an article stating that Hunter Pitts O'Dell to be a communist. The Senator related that he had written a letter to the Director asking him about this. He said all he expected was that the Director just call him on the phone and discuss the matter. Instead, he received a letter from Mr. Hoover (the Senator stressed that he received this letter immediately) in which Mr. Hoover said that he had referred this matter to the AG. Russell went on to say that he waited and waited and did not hear anything from the Department. [redacted] He then got a little angry and dispatched a follow-up communication to the AG asking him whether the AG had severed relations with the ~~Communists~~ CONGRESS. Katzenbach apologized for the delay and noted that obviously the Senator had good cause for complaint.

Senator Russell said that he did not believe Martin Luther King himself was a communist, but that obviously the Negro Movement was ready made for exploitation by the Communist Party. It was on this basis that he made inquiry to find out whether, in fact, O'Dell is a communist. He indicated complete satisfaction with the explanation given to him by Katzenbach and said he did not intend to make any speech on the Senate Floor about this.

In leaving Senator Russell's Office, he was still in a very friendly mood and joked with Katzenbach about his TV performance in the confrontation with Governor Wallace at the University of Alabama.

It would appear that if the AG had been more prompt in handling Senator Russell's inquiry, this matter would not have been magnified into proportions finally reached.

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TO : MR. TOLSON

DATE: 11/1/63

FROM : A. H. Belmont

cc Mr. Belmont
Mr. Evans

SUBJECT: COMMUNIST INFLUENCE IN THE NEGRO MOVEMENT

This morning AAG Marshall furnished the attached file of correspondence with Senator Richard B. Russell of Georgia, concerning the association of Hunter Pitts O'Dell with Martin Luther King. Senator Russell wrote to the Director on 7/27/63, referring to a newspaper article on O'Dell and asking for verification that O'Dell was a communist. The Director wrote back promptly and referred the Senator to the AG. The Senator complains vigorously that the AG has not given him the courtesy of an answer.

AAG Marshall has attached a proposed reply to Senator Russell over the AG's signature. Marshall advised that this proposed letter, together with two other drafts, was discussed with the President last evening by the AG and Marshall. They considered one draft which, in effect, told Senator Russell nothing. The second draft is the one attached. The third proposed letter volunteered additional information about King's association with Stanley Levison, King's other communist contact in NY.

Marshall stated that after discussing the matter the President was of the opinion that information concerning Levison should not be volunteered, but that the AG should respond to the inquiry about O'Dell. Marshall pointed out that the President, of course, did not approve the detailed language of the letter, but just the over-all idea that the response should be comprehensive.

In furnishing this material to us, Marshall asked that we consider the language for the purpose of determining whether it would jeopardize our informant or otherwise interfere with our investigation of communist matters.

I have looked over this letter and consider it most undesirable from the Bureau's standpoint in that it refers to sensitive sources available to the FBI; to conferences with the FBI about the sensitivity of our source; to still another conference with the FBI about O'Dell; and again refers to the sensitivity of our source, with a statement that after consulting with the Bureau the AG is classifying the proposed letter. In addition, on page 3 the proposed letter states that the Bureau was instructed some time ago to intensify its efforts

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regarding communist infiltration of Negro and civil rights groups. We didn't need to be told to intensify our efforts; we had already done so.

I think it is most undesirable to refer to the Bureau's source and its sensitivity, and that the AG can accomplish his purpose by removing references to such items. I have changed in red pencil a Xerox copy of the letter, in a manner that I think would be satisfactory to us. If you agree, Mr. Evans will advise AAG Marshall that the letter, as written, would constitute a grave danger to an exceedingly valuable source to the country, and suggest the changes which I have indicated on the Xerox copy.

OR but the better still "clears" King

Mr. Hoover agrees

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# *Memorandum*

TO: Mr. Mohr

DATE: December 20, 1963

FROM: C. D. DeLoach

SUBJECT: ASSASSINATION OF THE PRESIDENT

Pursuant to the Director's instructions, I met with Senator Richard B. Russell (D-Ga.) at 3:45 p. m. Inspector Jim Malley accompanied me.

I told the Senator that the Director probably had the greatest respect for him than any other man on the Presidential Commission; consequently, the Director was most anxious that any misimpression which the Senator might have gotten, regarding leaks concerning the captioned matter, be straightened out immediately. I mentioned that the Director had maintained throughout that there should be no press release unless it emanated from either the President or either the Presidential Commission. I told Senator Russell that the Director had issued specific instructions that no information be given from the FBI and that we had religiously adhered to these instructions. I told him also that there had been others who thought that a press release, based upon the FBI report, should be issued immediately. I reiterated that under no circumstances had we "leaked" any information; however, we certainly knew that it had been coming from other sources.

The Senator inquired as to the identity of the sources who had been "leaking" information. I told him it appeared quite obvious that considerable of the information came from the Dallas Police who had received the results of our Laboratory and Identification examinations. He stated he recognized this fact. I told him also that the Department undoubtedly had "leaked" considerable information as it was quite apparent that a number of their "favorites" had carried rather lengthy articles concerning information contained in the FBI report.

Senator Russell told Mr. Malley and me that he was glad to hear an FBI denial in this matter. He stated that Deputy Attorney General Katzenbach had directly implied that the "leaks" had come from the FBI. He quoted Katzenbach as telling the members of the Presidential Commission, "J. Edgar Hoover has chewed his men out for leaking information and they won't be doing any more of this." I told the Senator that Katzenbach was obviously lying in implying such action on the part of FBI representatives. The point was made that sometimes a person tries to cover up his own guilt by blaming others.

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1 - Mr. Belmont
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This certainly shows Katzenbach's true colors.

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DeLoach to Mohr memo
Re: Assassination of the President

Senator Russell was told that we would, of course, be glad to be of assistance to him on an informal basis in connection with the inquiry by the Presidential Commission. He was advised that Inspector Malley had been appointed by the Director to serve as liaison man with Lee Rankin, the Chief Counsel, and that Malley also would be at his disposal any time service was needed. The Senator confided that he had argued with the President about being appointed to the Presidential Commission. He stated the President had called him early one afternoon to advise that he was being appointed to this Commission. Senator Russell told the President that he could not take the appointment, that he considered this to be somewhat of a nasty job. The President then asked Senator Russell if he would recommend any member of the Supreme Court. Senator Russell stated that he didn't know a single member of the Supreme Court he would recommend for anything. The President called Senator Russell back early in the evening of the same day and named the members of the Presidential Commission. When he came to the Senator's name, the Senator stopped him and told him again that he couldn't be on the Commission. The President told Senator Russell that he had already issued a press release reflecting that he was a member. The Senator stated his hands were, therefore, tied and there was nothing he could do about the matter. He added it was very distasteful to him, however, to serve on the same Commission as Chief Justice Warren inasmuch as he had no respect for Warren.

We discussed a number of mutual interests in the State of Georgia before leaving. The Senator is driving home tonight and plans to take the FBI report with him. He has not yet had a chance to read it. He stated that upon his return, he would call if any questions whatsoever arose regarding the problems of the Presidential Commission.

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For record purposes.

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# Sen. Russell Deplores Newspaper Coverage of Rights Demonstrations

Sen. Richard B. Russell (D-Ga.) yesterday accused the Nation's major newspapers and networks of "deliberate distortion of the news" in their reporting of civil rights incidents in various parts of the country.

Russell, leader of the Southern bloc fighting the Administration's civil rights bill, told the Senate there was a "deliberate and designed campaign to play down these incidents which occur outside the South." When the same incidents occur in deep South states, he said, the reporting is "deliberately magnified and distorted."

Russell singled out The Washington Post's coverage of a weekend racial incident at Princess Anne, Md., as an example.

He also leveled much of his criticism at television networks which, he said, send "full crews with all their paraphernalia" to any Southern trouble spot but had no film coverage of the incidents in the Maryland Eastern Shore town.

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The Washington Daily News
The Evening Star
New York Herald Tribune
New York Journal-American
New York Mirror
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The New York Times
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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# *Memorandum*

TO : Mr. Mohr

DATE: February 7, 1964

FROM : C. D. DeLoach

SUBJECT: ASSASSINATION OF THE PRESIDENT
ALLEGATIONS THAT OSWALD WAS
AN FBI INFORMANT

Pursuant to instructions, I saw Senator Jim Eastland at his office at 2:15 p.m., 2-7-64. I told him the Director was very concerned about the information received from him (Senator Eastland) and Jay Sourwine on 2-6-64 and that the Director, of course, wanted to set the record straight immediately. I then showed the Senator a copy of the sworn affidavit which had been executed by the Director and delivered earlier that day to Rankin of the Presidential Commission. The Senator read the affidavit and then described it as a document that very obviously ties everything down.

I told Senator Eastland that we respected his confidence, however, would appreciate permission to see other Senators whom he indicated had an interest in this matter. He told me that he thought we should see Senators Russell and Hruska immediately, however, Senator Dirksen was at Sibley Hospital at the present time.

I then went to Senator Dick Russell's Office and upon seeing him mentioned that it was understood that he was cognizant of the false allegation that Oswald had once been an FBI informant. The Senator acknowledged that he knew of Wade's statements to the Commission. I then showed Senator Russell the Director's affidavit whereupon he read it in its entirety. He described it as a good affidavit and one that should forever straighten this rumor out. He added that there are so many rumors about the assassination that almost any individual can pay a quarter and take his pick. He continued that in all honesty Henry Wade had specifically told Commission members that the allegation concerning Oswald's being an FBI informant had been received by him from a newspaperman named Hudkins. The Senator stated that Wade made it plain that he had no personal knowledge that Oswald had been an FBI informant. The Senator added that Wade was told to return to Dallas and recontact Hudkins for further information. Senator Russell stated that Wade had reported back to the Commission that Hudkins had no further information, could not substantiate his allegations and had refused to testify or furnish an affidavit to the Commission.

Enclosure

1 - Mr. Tolson
1 - Mr. Belmont
1 - Mr. Sullivan
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1 - Mr. Morrell
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I next saw Sourwine. After reading the affidavit, he stated he was very positive it should put to rest all rumors. I told Sourwine that I felt certain he realized that the FBI's reputation could be at stake in the event such a vicious rumor was widespread publicity. I told him for this reason I would have to insist that his source in this particular matter be identified. I reminded Sourwine that he had told me in Senator Eastland's presence that his source was an employee of the Department of State who later had reconfirmed the information with CIA. Sourwine interrupted me to state that he had not indicated that his source was with the State Department. He stated his exact words were, "This matter has been motivated, in my opinion, by the State Department." I told Sourwine that my notes, made immediately after the conference with him and Senator Eastland, were very clear on this matter and that I felt certain he had attributed this information to a source within the Department of State. He replied that if he had done this he was in error. He said however that his source had definitely reconfirmed this information with CIA.

I told Sourwine that regardless of the agency with whom his source was employed, I would have to know the identity of such a source so that all strings could be tied down in this matter. Sourwine agreed to call his source in my presence and ask him if he would object to his identity being revealed. At that time Sourwine dialed a number and asked the person answering the phone if he would object to his identity being revealed to the FBI in connection with the Oswald-informant information. After a few moments, Sourwine turned to me and stated that his source would have to think about the matter and he would let me know later on during the evening. Sourwine stated that his source was somewhat reluctant to having his identity revealed inasmuch as the source's identity would immediately lead the FBI to the identity of a second source within CIA. I told Sourwine that if CIA was putting out such scurrilous rumors, that agency should definitely be tied down and made to put up or shut up.

Following the discussion concerning the identity of Sourwine's source, Sourwine told me that he had talked to Senator Russell earlier that afternoon. Senator Russell, according to Sourwine, stated in strict confidence that he was very disturbed about the activities of the Warren Commission. He claimed that he was considering resigning from this Commission. Senator Russell reportedly told Sourwine that five out of six senior lawyers employed by the Commission are extreme liberals and that all of the young lawyers are very liberal-minded. Senator Russell allegedly told Sourwine that each employee of the Commission has a definite area of investigation assigned to him. He mentioned that despite attempts at coordination, the individual employees have haphazardly pooled their investigative information without attempting to centralize or coordinate any facts whatsoever. Senator Russell is also very disturbed about Chief Justice Warren and his inability to handle the assignment as Chairman of this Commission.

After exacting a statement from Sourwine that he would call me later on that evening concerning his source, I went over to the Senate Floor and contacted Senator Hruska . We went up to his private office in the new Senate wing of the Capitol and talked for approximately three minutes when Senator Hruska found it necessary to return to the Floor in order to make remarks concerning tax legislation. Following his return, I showed him the Director's sworn affidavit. Senator Hruska expressed the opinion that it was very thorough and certainly left no doubts whatsoever. He asked if it could be possible that Oswald had an alias and had served the FBI as an informant using an alias or different name. I told him there was no possibility whatsoever of such an incident occurring inasmuch as our investigation had very thoroughly checked out all names used by Oswald. Senator Hruska stated this satisfied him.

Senator Hruska added that Senator Dirksen was most concerned about this matter, chiefly because Senator Dirksen felt that this was an attempted smear at the Director and the FBI. He stated that Senator Dirksen had also feared that this matter could completely discredit the FBI if some disreputable or left-wing Senator made a speech on the Floor of the Senate or issued a press release regarding the matter. He added that Senator Dirksen's friendship for the Director was a very sincere thing and, therefore, the Senator felt very keenly about this matter. He asked if I would accompany him to Sibley Hospital immediately so that we could talk to Senator Dirksen regarding this matter.

At this point I telephonically contacted the Director while Senator Hruska was out of the room and advised the Director of the foregoing details.

Senator Hruska and I arrived at Senator Dirksen's hospital room at approximately 6:15 p.m. Mrs. Dirksen was in the room at the time. She has recently undergone surgery. (The Director has sent a letter to Senator Dirksen regarding the illness of his wife.) I assisted Mrs. Dirksen down the hall and then came back to join Senators Dirksen and Hruska.

Senator Hruska told Senator Dirksen that I had an affidavit signed by the Director which should definitely put Senator Dirksen's mind at ease. Senator Hruska told Senator Dirksen that he felt this affidavit would be of therapeutic value to him inasmuch as it was known that he was very worried about this situation. I then showed Senator Dirksen a copy of the sworn affidavit. He read the letter to Rankin very rapidly and handed both the letter and affidavit back to me. I told him I realized that our visit was somewhat of an imposition, however, I would appreciate it if he would briefly scan the entire affidavit. He did so and afterwards stated that it was a very complete document and that he felt much better about the situation. He added that he had several questions. I told him the Director would want me to answer any questions that he might raise.

DeLoach to Mohr 2-7-64
Re: Assassination of the President
Allegations that Oswald was an FBI Informant

Senator Dirksen inquired if District Attorney Henry Wade had any connections with the Communist Party. I told him Wade had no such connections to our knowledge. I briefed both Senators at this time, however, on the scurrilous article in Saga Magazine by former Agent Turner, also the article in Nation magazine and the offensive by the Communist Party in connection with attempting to discredit the FBI. Senator Hruska inquired as to whether Wade was a publicity seeker. I told him that the answer to this was obvious in view of the many statements made by Wade, even including information which had been furnished by the FBI.

Senator Dirksen asked me if we were satisfied with Rankin. I told him that Rankin had been appointed as an alternative. I then briefed Senators Dirksen and Hruska on the fact that Chief Justice Warren had first wanted his [redacted] to serve as [redacted] of the Presidential Commission, however, in view of [redacted] miserable personality and inefficiency it had been necessary for a number of sources to confidentially brief members of the Presidential Commission, other than Warren, as to [redacted] background. I told Senators Dirksen and Hruska that as a result of this action the Commission members had overridden Warren concerning the appointment of [redacted] and that Rankin had been elected as an alternative. Dirksen stated he knew [redacted] and definitely recognized him as an inefficient nincompoop. b6 b7C

Senator Dirksen stated that he had no further questions but that he would appreciate the Director being advised that his chief interest in this entire matter was to prevent the FBI or the Director from being smeared. He stated that despite his illness if we needed his services we could certainly count upon him to start a backfire against any individual or group which might attempt to discredit the Director or the FBI.

I told both Senators Dirksen and Hruska that we deeply appreciated their interest in this matter and that I would immediately advise the Director whom I felt would be greatly appreciative of their friendship and willingness to assist the FBI.

Upon arriving back at my office, Inspector Kemper advised me that Sourwine had called at approximately 6:10 p.m. to advise that his source did not want to give an absolute "no" to the FBI, that the source was checking further and would give an answer either the first of the week or the middle of next week. We, of course, will not allow this matter to lie idle. Sourwine will be contacted first thing Monday morning and pressed for action.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

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RECOMMENDATIONS:

(1) That the attached letter for the Director's signature acknowledging the Director's appreciation for Senator Dirksen's assistance and interest be considered.

(2) That I check with Sourwine first thing Monday morning in order to further press the matter of learning the identity of his source of information.

(3) That I show a copy of the Director's affidavit, in strict confidence, to Congressman Hale Boggs and Congressman Jerry Ford, members of the Presidential Commission, on Monday, 2-10-64, and that I show a copy of this affidavit and thoroughly brief Walter Jenkins of the White House on Monday, 2-10-64.

June 17, 1964

Honorable Richard B. Russell
United States Senate
Washington, D. C. 20510

My dear Senator:

I want to express my deep thanks for extending your remarks to include in the June 13th issue of the "Congressional Record" the address of Senator Carl Hayden to the 73rd Session of the FBI National Academy. Your thoughtfulness on this occasion is certainly appreciated.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

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NOTE: We have enjoyed cordial relations with Senator Russell. He is also on the Special Correspondents' List.

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## TRIBUTE TO PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

Mr. RUSSELL. Mr. President, the distinguished President pro tempore of the Senate, the senior Senator from Arizona [Mr. HAYDEN], recently made a memorable commencement address to the graduates of the 73d session of the Federal Bureau of Investigation's National Academy.

Few men in public life are better qualified to speak to a group of law enforcement officers than the senior Senator from Arizona, who as a young man served as a frontier sheriff in Maricopa County, in what is now the State of Arizona. Senator HAYDEN is probably one of the few remaining frontier sheriffs of that stirring period. As those of us who serve in the Senate know so well, he has continued his fight for order under a Government of law until this very day.

Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senator's address be printed in the RECORD.

There being no objection, the address was ordered to be printed in the RECORD, as follows:

ADDRESS OF THE HONORABLE CARL HAYDEN, PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE OF THE U.S. SENATE, 73D SESSION, FBI NATIONAL ACADEMY, JUNE 3, 1964

Let me begin by extending my heartiest congratulations to you graduates of the 73d session of the FBI National Academy. This must be a very proud day for you and the members of your families. Not only have you officers successfully completed graduation requirements at the "West Point" of law enforcement, but you have become members of the National Academy Associates—a very exclusive alumni group.

Since the National Academy was founded in 1935, over 4,500 law enforcement officers from the United States and many foreign countries have been graduated. Your own class is a typical one. You represent 42 States, the District of Columbia, Venezuela, and the Philippines. I am particularly pleased to know that Alfred Walter Yazzi, a Navajo Indian who is a captain in the Navajo Police Department, is one of the graduates today. Yazzi is a good Navajo name and he comes from the Navajo Reservation in Arizona, New Mexico, and Utah, which is larger than the State of West Virginia.

Also of special interest to me is the fact that one of your classmates, Detective Lt. Bill Hill, represents the police department of Tempe, Ariz., where I was born.

It seems like only a few years ago, although it could be longer, that I was a peace officer in that area. Maybe Bill has run across my tracks—I left enough of them. Those were the days before the FBI—when we relied more on footprints than fingerprints. They were useful too. You could tell which way a man was going, how fast he was running, and how much we was carrying. We never tried to tell whether he was Republican or Democrat, but I think we might have been able to.

Let me point out, though, that my years as sheriff of Maricopa County would probably be a disappointment to today's "Gunsmoke" fans.

I never shot at anyone and nobody ever shot at me. About the nearest I ever came to shooting was the day I identified a horse thief who was supposed to be badly wanted in Utah, Colorado, and Wyoming. I found him standing at a bar. I stuck my gun in his back and took his pistol away from him. To give me time to notify law officers in the other States, the justice of the peace put him in jail for 10 days on a concealed weapons charge.

They weren't interested enough to come and get him, so I turned him loose at the end of 10 days. I told him that as long as he didn't steal any horses in Arizona, it was all right with me.

But the days are gone when a local sheriff needed only a fast horse and the ability to follow tracks to capture a fleeing criminal. Today, we have the Fugitive Felon Act which permits the FBI to help local law enforcement in locating and returning people who commit crimes and flee across State borders.

However, the best change in the Nation's law enforcement is the FBI itself, and the way in which Mr. Hoover has built it into an agency whose esteem and respect are second to none.

Alexander Hamilton once called the administration of criminal and civil justice the great cement of society. He said law enforcement is the guardian of life and property, and it contributes more than anything else to the people's affection, esteem, and reverence toward their government.

I am certain Mr. Hoover shares this philosophy, for he has modeled the FBI along these lines. He began his distinguished career with the conviction that law enforcement is a true profession. He realized that a profession has never been created by resolution nor has it become so overnight. A true profession consists of ideals which its employees maintain, a dignity of character which they bring to the performance of their duties, and a set of self-imposed ethical standards.

Throughout his long and distinguished career, Mr. Hoover has scorned quick and easy success. He has operated the FBI from the beginning on the theory that what we do well now, we must do better tomorrow. And, in doing this, he has set an example which is a heartening indication that a man of steady purpose can earn a place of true distinction in today's world.

Not the least of his many accomplishments has been the work he has done over the years to establish a spirit of mutual cooperation among law enforcement agencies. He has dedicated his efforts to the belief that the most effective way to fight crime is through a combination of all law enforcement agencies. The result of his dedication has been the constantly expanded services which the FBI makes available to all agencies. Typical working examples of this cooperation are the FBI Laboratory, the Identification Division, police schools, publications, and specialized law enforcement conferences.

And you men have just had the privilege of taking advantage of one of the finest cooperative services offered by the FBI—attendance at its National Academy. Mr. Hoover established the Academy more than a quarter of a century ago for the purpose of sharing with fellow officers the best techniques and the most modern strategy in police work. Because he felt that trained personnel is synonymous with progressive law enforcement, Mr. Hoover made it the Academy's objective to send highly trained instructors to both domestic and foreign police departments.

You graduates now bear a heavy responsibility. You were selected for the Academy because you had already shown yourselves to be first-class leaders. You are equally at home when teaching a class, or on the firing line. You are now better equipped to serve as instructors, and you now have the very important responsibility of sharing the Academy training with your fellow officers.

This is a responsibility that I know you will not take lightly. In spite of the cooperation between local law enforcement officials and the Federal Government, and in spite of the modern methods of scientific detection and identification, crime in the United States continues to rise. In 1963 there was a 10-percent increase in serious crimes over 1962. The unhappy truth is that in the past 5 years crime has increased four times faster than our population.

If we are ever to reverse this dangerous trend, it is vitally necessary that you and the members of your departments do everything humanly possible to keep the people convinced that law enforcement is, as Hamilton said, the great cement of society.

Every police officer is performing a high and noble job when he upholds law and order in our society. Whether he walks a beat or serves as administrator, he is not just performing a dirty job which someone has to do from necessity. You are members of an honorable profession, and as professionals, you should strive constantly to improve yourselves and your departments. Don't just hope that the current crime picture will improve of its own accord; you know better than I that this is not in the cards.

I know that each of you is deeply interested in the efficiency of your own department. I hope you realize that whatever you would have that department become, you must set the example by your own actions. Let me urge you to leave here today filled with a determination that what you have learned in the FBI National Academy will become the starting place for your own ideal. For it is only through each of you men, individually, that law enforcement in your country can develop and progress.

If you do this, I assure you that your example will bring about the affection, esteem, and reverence toward government that Hamilton claimed.

Long ago someone said there are four things that never come back: the spoken word, the sped arrow, the past life, and the neglected opportunity. The success your department enjoys in the future will, in many cases, be directly attributed to the effort you put forth when you return. Don't neglect the opportunity you now have to make valuable contributions to your profession. It may never come back.

Godspeed to each of you, as lawmen and proud graduates of the 73d session of the FBI National Academy.

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June 18, 1964

Honorable J. Edgar Hoover, Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Hoover:

Permit me to acknowledge and thank you for your letter.

I thought Senator Hayden's speech was excellent, and I wanted to be sure that it was available to all the members of the Senate. It was a pleasure to insert it in the Congressional Record.

With cordial personal regards, I am

Sincerely,

Dick Russell

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**The Washington Merry-Go-Round**

# Russell Whistles 'Dixie' Abroad

*By Drew Pearson*

Sen. Dick Russell of Georgia, the sedate Southern solon, took a trip to Europe last month that may have major political reverberations.

Pearson

Officially Russell was inspecting U. S. military bases in Western Europe, which as chairman of the Senate Armed Services Committee he has a right to do, though these bases have been inspected repeatedly both by Defense Department officials and other visiting Congressmen in the past.

Unofficially and more important, however, the Russell trip was made just at the time his old friend Lyndon Johnson was pleading desperately for Southern votes and especially trying to carry the State of Georgia. The President even sent his wife on a whistle-stop tour through Georgia.

## Expert Timing

However, the most powerful politician in Georgia was absent, touring Europe at the taxpayers' expense.

He planned his trip with expert timing, just when his absence from the political scene would count most. On Oct. 14, a few days after Lady Bird had pleaded for votes in Georgia, Russell flew to Frankfurt, Germany, then on to Wiesbaden, then caught a train to Heidelberg, then proceeded by plane to Bad Tolz, Germany.

From there, Sen. Russell was driven by Army sedan to Vienna, arriving Oct. 17. He remained through Oct. 18. Just why he went to Vienna is not known, because there hasn't been a single U.S. soldier in or around Vienna for a dozen years. The famous Vienna Opera is there, of course, plus the intriguing Viennese coffee houses. But that was about all the Senator could inspect.

## Touring in Italy

Sen. Russell caught the train to Venice on Oct. 19, arriving at 6 p.m. and pulling out for Verona, Italy, at 10 p.m. In this city, which Shakespeare made famous with his play "The Two Gentlemen of Verona," Sen. Russell inspected one U.S. base.

On Oct. 20, Russell flew by U.S. Air Force plane to Athens, from which most of our troops have long been removed, but which is a lovely tourist spot. Then on Oct. 23 he flew, again by military plane, to Nice on the Southern coast of France, for more inspections, leaving the next day for Seville, the famous bullfighting city of Spain. There he observed the joint Spanish-American military maneuvers.

The Senator remained in Seville until Oct. 28, at which time he drove in a rented car to Lisbon, Portugal, and on Oct. 29 he caught a TWA flight home.

By this time, the election campaign was over and there wasn't much he could have done to influence the vote—even if he had tried, which he didn't.

Of course, it can be argued that in ducking out on the election Sen. Russell was merely doing what he has done in the past.

In 1952, during the Stevenson-Eisenhower election, Russell also went to Europe. In 1956, in the second Ike-Adlai campaign, he again walked out to make an inspection trip of military bases. In 1960, Russell went on another inspection trip and made no speeches for John F. Kennedy.

## Very Old Friends

But in the recent election many of Russell's friends thought it would be different. For Russell is the man who went to bat for Lyndon Johnson, when the latter was a green but ambitious young Senator from Texas, and corralled the votes to make him Senate Democratic Leader. Two years later, when Mr. Johnson wanted to run for the Democratic nomination for President, it was Dick Russell whom he phoned to come to Chicago and handle his campaign.

It was the gentleman from Georgia who was behind those "Love That Lyndon" buttons that appeared on the convention floor.

This explains the close bond

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between the man who became President and the Senator who has exerted great power over him and over the Southern Bloc. Repeatedly, as Senate Majority Leader, Mr. Johnson deferred to Russell. Repeatedly, at Russell's advice or request, Mr. Johnson appointed southern Senators to positions of power, thereby incurring the wrath and resentment of northern Democrats.

**Bad Advice Accepted**

This is also why, as President, Mr. Johnson has frequently deferred to Russell, why he accepted Russell's very bad advice on the Panamanian crisis last December —advice that deadlocked the dispute for three months.

So when Russell walked out on his old friend last month and went junketing in Europe at a time when President Johnson had sent his wife to plead for votes in Georgia and when he himself made some last-minute appeals to stem the Goldwater tide, it wiped out an old debt. If Russell had remained, if he had made one speech for Mr. Johnson in Georgia, it would have turned the tide. Georgia probably would have gone Democratic. Instead it went Republican for the first time in post-Civil War history.

Friends of the President say this was a great blessing, that Dick Russell did LBJ a great favor. For no longer need he feel obligated to the man who has so strongly influenced him in the past.

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Dear Mr. Hoover:

Let me sincerely thank you for your thoughtfulness in remembering me during my illness.

I have been singularly blessed with good health over the years so I suppose I should not complain too bitterly. I must confess, however, that I have had a real siege of it here but am thankful to say that I am now prevailing over the collection of high powered "bugs" that have recently assailed us, and I am feeling bettter all the time.

The only good thing about my stay in the hospital is the wonderful assurance that I have been in the thoughts of friends like you and your expressions of concern and encouragement have been a very special source of strength and comfort to me.

Again thanking you and with warm regards, I am

Sincerely,

Dick Russell

Honorable J. Edgar Hoover
Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
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**The Washington Merry-Go-Round**

# LBJ Leaked C-5A Contract Award

*By Jack Anderson*

The Securities and Exchange Commission, which is investigating whether stock speculators received advance knowledge of a $2-billion contract award to Lockheed, may discover that the tipster was Lyndon B. Johnson.

Anderson

The President leaked the word to his Senate crony, Sen. Richard Russell (D-Ga.), who strongly hinted to Atlanta newsmen that the Lockheed plant at Marietta, Ga., would get the contract to build the new C-5A jet transport.

He was careful not to say he had inside information, stressing that he was "hopeful" the $2 billion bonanza would go to the Georgia plant. But he left the implication that he knew more than he could put on the record.

His remarks made headlines in Atlanta, which helped touch off heavy trading in aircraft stocks the day before the official announcement. The Atlanta clippings, it is now known, were circulated among brokers as far apart as New York's Wall Street and San Francisco's Montgomery Street.

SEC sleuths are now trying to determine what was behind the trading splurge. They probably will find, if they carry the investigation beyond the White House doors, that the chief culprit wasn't at all mindful of aircraft stocks but was merely trying to boost his political stock with the influential Georgian.

It was Russell, more than any other power, who in 1953 made Mr. Johnson the Senate Democratic Leader. Their close friendship became strained, however, after Mr. Johnson moved into the White House.

Sensing Mr. Johnson's unpopularity in the South, Russell ducked off for Europe during the 1964 campaign. He was forgiven after the election and invited to the LBJ ranch for the full Texas treatment.

## President Pouts

But the President was crushed when Russell on Aug. 1 spoke out against the Vietnam build-up. Russell declared that South Vietnam had no strategic value and warned that the war would cost the taxpayers between $10 and $12 billion a year.

For a few days, the President pouted. Then he swallowed his hurt and began a campaign to win back the prodigal son. He beseeched Russell by phone, invited him to dinner at the White House, smothered him with affection.

Within a month, Russell was giving out another interview in which he endorsed the President's Vietnam policies and agreed that the bombings might bring the Communists to the truce table.

It was at a White House tete-a-tete, two days before the formal announcement, that the President told Russell about the Lockheed contract. The advance tip permitted Russell to talk knowingly about the contract in Atlanta and take some credit for bringing the $2 billion deal to Georgia.

This is a solid political boost for Russell, who faces a challenge for his Senate seat next year from Gov. Carl Sanders. A moderate, Sanders campaigned for the President in Georgia last year while Russell was playing it safe in Europe.

## Multiplying Bureaucrats

My own theory of government evolution is that bureaucrats aren't born but multiply like microbes, spreading wherever resistance is low.

The growth of the bureaucratic organism is also in direct relation to the jurisdiction they can claim and is accompanied by a proliferation of paperwork.

Take the Federal Power Commission, for example, which was created to regulate

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interstate, gas and electric rates. Having established authority over these, the bureaucrats at the FPC now want to regulate rates all the way down to the retail level.

A meeting to discuss this was called recently at the FPC. Also present were bureaucrats of like mind from the Office of Emergency Planning.

This column has seen the private minutes, which declare candidly: "OEP desires to build a Federal capability to administer electric and gas rates down to retail level. Mr. Bardin (FPC assistant counsel David J. Bardin) suggested that FPC accept, initially, only interstate responsibility and investigate means of extension to retail level in cooperation with OEP. All concur. . . . It is understood that should circumstances in the future warrant, responsibility will extend to retail levels."

## Washington Hot Line

Two days before Larry O'Brien was named Postmaster General, he had promised to go to work for Thomas J. Deegan Co., the New York public relations firm. President Johnson notified O'Brien of his appointment the same weekend it was announced to the Nation. The President didn't ask whether he wanted the job but merely told him that he'd been promoted. . . .

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# United States Senate

January 19, 1966

Richard B. Russell

Richard B. Russell

Respectfully referred to
Legislative Liaison Office
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

for such consideration as the communication herewith submitted may warrant, and for a report thereon, in duplicate to accompany return of inclosure.

By direction of

Richard B. Russell

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January 2, 1966

Senator Richard Russell
United States Senate
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Bella Dodd signed an affidavit that Dean Rusk and Ralph McGill were (and are) top communists. I want very much to acquire a copy of that affidavit, or information as to where I can get same.

What have you done toward the investigating and subsequent prosecution of these two prominent men, if this is true.

Yours respectfully,

(signed) [redacted]

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TO : Mr. Wick

FROM : D. C. Morrell

SUBJECT: CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED FROM SENATOR RICHARD B. RUSSELL BASED UPON A REQUEST OF [redacted] OF MARIETTA, GEORGIA

A communication dated 1-19-66 has been received from Senator Richard B. Russell and a copy of a letter addressed to Senator Russell by [redacted] Marietta, Georgia. We have enjoyed cordial relations with Senator Russell (Democrat - Georgia) since 1940, and he is on the Special Correspondents' List. Senator Russell requested that appropriate consideration be given the request of this constituent. [redacted] referred to an affidavit signed by Bella Dodd alleging that Dean Rusk and Ralph McGill "were (and are) top communists." He asked to be furnished a copy of this affidavit or information as to where he might otherwise obtain this. He also asked of this Senator what was being done toward investigating this matter if the circumstances were true.

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Bufiles do not contain such information relative to any affidavit signed by Bella Dodd. Our files do show that on 9-26-62 one [redacted] of Melbourne, Florida, attended a speech in Orlando, Florida, delivered by a female who had been a member of the Communist Party. According to [redacted] this unknown woman stated that both Arthur Goldberg and Dean Rusk were card-carrying members of the Communist Party when she left the Party. Dr. Bella V. Dodd [redacted] stated that she had delivered one speech in Orlando, Florida, during September, 1962, at a meeting sponsored by "Project Alert." She stated following her talk she spoke to numerous persons and recalled that some ridiculous questions were asked her concerning prominent individuals and whether they might have been members of the Party. She added she did not recall being asked such questions concerning either Goldberg or Rusk explaining "I would have to be out of my mind and irresponsible" to say that these persons were card-carrying members of the Communist Party. She also explained it was common knowledge that prominent individuals in the Party did not carry membership cards. She also explained that if such information were true she would not have waited until that time to disclose it but would have set forth this data for the information of the Bureau when she furnished other information in her possession. She stated that she did not know one [redacted] This information appears as serials 124 and 125 in section 2 of file 161-42. Bufiles also reflect Honorable Ralph McGill, Publisher of The Atlanta

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Constitution," to be a supporter of the Bureau, and he is on the Special Correspondents' List. [redacted] is not identifiable in our files.

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OBSERVATION:

In view of the favorable relations which we have enjoyed over the years with Senator Russell, it is felt that he should be personally contacted by a representative from the Crime Records Division in order to explain that our files contain no record of an affidavit such as his constituent described.

RECOMMENDATION:

That a representative of the Crime Records Division personally contact the office of Honorable Richard B. Russell and inform the Senator or his Administrative Assistant that our files contain no record of an affidavit such as his constituent described, although it should also be pointed out Bella Dodd has disclaimed referring to Arthur Goldberg or Dean Rusk in a speech she delivered in Orlando, Florida, during September, 1962.

March 18, 1966

REC. 133

Honorable Richard B. Russell
United States Senate
Washington, D. C. 20510

My dear Senator:

Reference is made to the copy of your communication of February 22nd to [redacted] of Marietta, Georgia, which you furnished me together with copies of his letters dated March 14th and 15th addressed to you.

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You may wish to advise your constituent that the files of the FBI contain no record of an affidavit signed by Dr. Bella V. Dodd alleging that either the Honorable Dean Rusk or the Honorable Ralph McGill was a member of the Communist Party.

I can assure your constituent that this Bureau is fully cognizant of the existence of an affidavit ascribed to Karl Prussion. He might desire to know that Mr. Prussion assisted the FBI by furnishing information on subversive activities from November, 1949, to July, 1958, during which time he was compensated; however, he was not a Special Agent. His personal ventures, his opinions and comments are strictly his own and the FBI is not in a position to comment on these in any way whatsoever.

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Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

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NOTE: Senator Russell is on the Special Correspondents' List and we have enjoyed favorable relations with him. In January, 1966, the Senator referred an inquiry from [redacted] to this Bureau regarding an alleged affidavit signed by Bella Dodd alleging Dean Rusk and Ralph McGill "were (and are) top communists." Our files reflect no such affidavit and when a similar allegation was ascribed to Dodd in 1962, she denied ever having made such a statement.

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Honorable Richard B. Russell

It was recommended and approved on 1/24/66 that the Senator's office be contacted and that he be advised that we had no record of such an affidavit by Bella Dodd and that she had actually disclaimed having made any such allegation. There was no inquiry regarding the allegation of an affidavit prepared by Prussion at that time nor was the FBI contacted in connection with the Senator's letter of 2/22/66 to [redacted] regarding the affidavit prepared by Prussion. Bufiles do contain a copy of an affidavit with the name Karl Prussion affixed alleging that Martin Luther King has either been a member of, or unwittingly has accepted support from, over 60 communist fronts, individuals and/or organizations, which gave aid to or espoused communist causes. This affidavit is in the form of a leaflet which has received wide public circulation. The copies of the letters were furnished to Special Agent [redacted] Senator's office. by the

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February 22, 1966

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Marietta, Georgia

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Dear Friend; [redacted]

Permit me to acknowledge and thank you for your letter requesting a copy of the affidavit signed by Carl Prussian, that states that Martin Luther King is a Communist and for Bella Dodd's address.

In an effort to be of every possible assistance to you, I have been glad to get in touch with the proper officials here and they advise that the most recent address they have for Bella Dodd is 100 West 42nd Street, New York, New York.

In regard to the Prussian affidavit, the authorities here advise me that they have no evidence of the existence of such a document, and therefore I am unable to send you a copy.

With every good wish, I am

Sincerely,

2 ENCLOSURES

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MAR 22 1966

CORRESPONDENCE

Orig. (Dodd)
SC

000482 March 14, 1966

Richard B. Russell, Senator
Washington D. C.

Dear Sir:

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In regards to your letter of February 22, 1966, and other previous letters.

I first requested an affidavit signed by Bella Dodd. The F.B.I. claimed there was no such affidavit.

To check your staff and source, I requested a copy of an affidavit, a copy of which I hold, which was printed in the BIRMINGHAM INDEPENDENT newspaper.

Again, your information was inaccurate in that you were told that this document does not exist.

I am enclosing a photostat of the newsprint.

It is very serious indeed, when my representative is denied, does not have, or can not get vital information of such a serious nature as to name subversives.

I am shocked and astounded that any Senator or Representative, and especially one of your esteem and experience is not aware of the Karl Prussion affidavit. I am further amazed that the F.B.I. has hidden this information and will openly deny knowledge to our Congressmen, rather than expose information, even though it has been publicly printed.

They have no claim that this information is "secret". It is publicly recorded in the news media.

Either the authorities you refered to, or your staff, needs investigated. We, the people, MUST be represented by Congressmen who are aware of the national dangers, and have all such records available to them.

I was, however, delighted at your forcing McNamara to allow all the JOINT CHIEFS OF STAFF to give personal views. This is definitely a step in the right direction. Lets break McNamara and press the issue until he is fired. This man is wrecking our defences.

Again, I urge you to repair the broken connection between you and the facts you must have to adequately represent Georgians.

May your aspirations and goals be GODLY is my prayer.

Yours respectfully,

[redacted]

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ENCLOSURE

March 15, 1966

Senator Russell

I am truly sorry that I failed to include the enclosure in my letter of March 14, 1966.

Please pardon my errors, and let me know if you require additional copies.

Yours Respectfully

[redacted]

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Marietta, Ga.

I am not acknowledging this supplementary letter
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ENCLOSURE

# Affidavit Of Karl Prussion "Counterspy"

I, Karl Prussion, a former counterspy for the Federal Bureau of Investigation from 1947 to 1960 do hereby swear under oath and under penalty of perjury, that from the years 1954 through 1958 I attended five county committee meetings of the Communist Party of Santa Clara County, California. (A county committee meeting of the Communist Party consists of one delegate representing each Communist cell in a county.) The meetings were held during the afore-mentioned period in the following locations:

The residence of Robert Lindsay, Communist, in San Jose, California, 1954; the residence of Mary Field, Communist section organizer, Palo Alto, California, 1955; the residence of Isobel and Edwin Cerney, both Communists, Menlo Park, California, 1956; the residence of Gertrude Adler, Communist, Palo Alto, California, 1957; the residence of Karl Prussion, counterspy for the F.B.I., Los Altos, California, 1958; the residence of Myra White, Communist, Mountain View, California, 1959.

I hereby further solemnly state that at each and every meeting as set forth above, one Ed Beck, Communist, who is presently secretary of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People of San Mateo County, California, and a member of the Congress on Racial Equality (CORE), presented the directive from the district office of the Communist Party in San Francisco to the effect that "All Communists working within the framework of the NAACP are instructed to work for a change of the passive attitude of the NAACP toward a more militant, demonstrative, class struggle policy to be expressed by sit-ins, demonstrations, marches and protests, for the purpose of transforming the NAACP into an organization for the achievement of Communist objectives."

I further swear and attest that at each and every one of the aforementioned meetings, one Reverend Martin Luther King was always set forth as the individual to whom Communists should look and rally around in the Communist struggle on the many racial issues.

I hereby also state that Martin Luther King has either been a member of, or wittingly has accepted support from, over 60 Communists fronts, individuals, and/or organizations, which give aid to or espouse Communist causes.

(Signed) Karl Prussion

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 28th day of Septtmber, 1963.

(Signed) George E. Searles
Notary Public

My Commission expires Sept. 17, 1966

# DR. GAYRE

(Continued From Page 1)

ngham is one of several he will deliver during a cross-country lecture tour of the United States.

All Citizens' Council members and friends are urged to hear Dr. Gayre at Thomas Jefferson Hotel in Birmingham on Tuesday, October 26, 1965.

Gov. George Wallace and Dallas County Sheriff Jim Clark will also be on the program with Dr. Gayre.

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else — until Congressman Edwards got into the act. Last Wednesday, Wirtz announced that the Department was quietly dropping its case against Robinson.

"This is a victory for common sense over the ridiculous entanglements of an oppressive Washington bureaucracy," Edwards said. Robinson put it this way: "All I want to do is keep taking care of folk's luggage."

(Glendale (Calif.) Freedom Press)

November 9, 1966

Honorable Richard B. Russell
United States Senator
Winder, Georgia 30680

My dear Senator:

I want to take this opportunity to congratulate you on your re-election to the United States Senate.

We in the FBI deeply appreciate the fine support you have given us in the past and if we can be of any service, please let me know.

With expressions of my highest esteem and best regards,

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

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1 - Atlanta
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NOTE: Senator Russell was congratulated upon his re-elections to the Senate in 1954 and 1960 and he is on the Special Correspondents' List. There have been very good relations with him and he is a member of the Senate Appropriations Committee. (D-Ga.)

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# United States Senate

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Winder, Georgia
November 12, 1966

Dear Mr. Hoover:

Permit me to acknowledge and thank you for your gracious letter.

I am profoundly grateful to the people of Georgia for their overwhelming vote of confidence and, in the years ahead, I shall redouble my efforts to serve the best interests of my State and Nation.

With assurances of esteem, I am

Sincerely,

Dick Russell

Dick Russell

Honorable J. Edgar Hoover
Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

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May 1, 1967

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Honorable Richard B. Russell
United States Senate
Washington, D. C. 20510

My dear Senator:

The kind comments and expression of firm support you made to a Special Agent of our Washington Field Office last week have been brought to my attention, and I did not want to let the opportunity pass without expressing my personal thanks. It is indeed reassuring to have your confidence and to know of your willingness to defend the FBI in the face of unjust criticism.

With best wishes and kind regards,

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

1 - Washington Field (Sent with letter to SAC Purvis of same date)

NOTE: Senator Russell is on the Special Correspondents' List. We have had cordial relations with him in the past.

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August 9, 1967

Honorable Richard B. Russell
Walter Reed Army Hospital
6825 16th Street, N. W.
Washington, D. C. 20012

My dear Senator:

I certainly was sorry to learn it was necessary for you to enter the hospital and hope you are resting comfortably. I did want to express the best wishes of all of your friends in the FBI for a quick and complete recovery.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

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NOTE: Senator Russell is on the Special Correspondents' List and Bufiles reflect cordial relations with him.

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UPI-154
(RUSSELL)
WASHINGTON--SEN. RICHARD B. RUSSELL, D-GA., HAS BEEN HOSPITALIZED FOR TREATMENT OF A VIRAL RESPIRATORY INFECTION.
RUSSELL ENTERED WALTER REED ARMY HOSPITAL YESTERDAY. HE WAS EXPECTED TO REMAIN THREE TO FIVE DAYS.
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# United States Senate

WASHINGTON, D.C.

August 12, 1967

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Dear Edgar:

It was gratifying indeed to know that I was in your thoughts and prayers during my recent indisposition.

I deeply appreciate your expressions of friendship and concern and I am glad to say that my difficulty seems to have been only a heavy summer cold. I am thankful to say that I am feeling much better now and it is good to be back on the job.

With cordial good wishes to you and yours, I am

Sincerely,

Dick Russell

Honorable J. Edgar Hoover
Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

Richard Russell

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September 21, 1967

PERSONAL

Honorable Richard B. Russell
United States Senate
Washington, D. C. 20510

My dear Senator:

I understand that you have been honored by the State of Mississippi as the recipient of the "Distinguished Civilian Service Medal" for 1967. It is a pleasure to extend congratulations on this occasion.

Yours has been an outstanding record of service to the Nation, and it is most appropriate that this recognition be accorded your lifelong efforts to preserve our democratic way of life.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

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NOTE: Senator Russell is on the Special Correspondents List, and our relations have been cordial with him. This award was presented to Senator Russell on 9-19-67.

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(RUSSELL)

WASHINGTON--THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI TODAY AWARDED ITS 1967 DISTINGUISHED CIVILIAN SERVICE MEDAL TO SEN. RICHARD B. RUSSELL, D-GA., CALLING HIM "CAPITOL HILL" [illegible] THE U.S. MILITARY ESTABLISHMENT.

MAJ. GEN. WALTER G. JOHNSON, STATE ADJUTANT GENERAL AND HEAD OF MISSISSIPPI NATIONAL GUARD, HUNG THE MEDAL AROUND RUSSELL'S NECK IN A BRIEF CEREMONY.

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# United States Senate

WASHINGTON, D.C.

September 22, 1967

Dear Mr. Hoover:

Permit me to acknowledge and thank you for your gracious letter.

I was, of course, highly honored to receive the Mississippi "Distinguished Civilian Service Medal" for 1967, but the fact that this award prompted your generous approbation makes it all the more meaningful to me. Be assured that I shall continue to do my best to deserve your commendatory references.

With assurances of personal esteem, I am

Sincerely,

Dick Russell

Honorable J. Edgar Hoover
Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

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# United States Senate

WASHINGTON, D.C.

February 2, 1968

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Dear Edgar:

I appreciate your expressions of interest and concern over my health, and while it is never pleasant to be hospitalized, the knowledge that I am in your thoughts is better than a tonic.

Washington weather can play havoc with emphysema, but thanks to the good care that I am receiving, I am feeling stronger every day and am keeping in constant contact with my office and the tense international situation.

With cordial good wishes, I am

Sincerely,

Dick Russell

Honorable J. Edgar Hoover
Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

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March 25, 1968

BY SPECIAL
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Honorable Richard B. Russell
United States Senate
Washington, D. C.

My dear Senator:

Hearty congratulations on your 35th anniversary of service in the United States Senate. Your illustrious career has been marked with success, and I want to join your many friends in sending best wishes to you on this occasion.

With warmest personal regards,

Sincerely yours,
J. Edgar Hoover

NOTE: Senator Russell is on the Special Correspondents List and relations with him have been very cordial.

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UPI [illegible]

(RUSSELL)

WASHINGTON--SEN. RICHARD RUSSELL, D-GA., WAS HONORED AT A CEREMONY TODAY COMMEMORATING HIS BECOMING THE FIRST MAN IN HISTORY TO SERVE HALF HIS LIFETIME IN THE SENATE.

THE SENATOR WAS PRESENTED WITH A TWO-TIERED FLORAL ARRANGEMENT IN RED, WHITE AND BLUE CHRYSANTHEMUMS ON BEHALF OF THE 370 MEMBERS OF THE FLORISTS' TRANSWORLD DELIVERY ASSN. IN GEORGIA.

RUSSELL, 70, HAS SERVED IN THE SENATE 35 YEARS.

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# United States Senate

WASHINGTON, D.C.

March 26, 1968

Dear Edgar:

Let me thank you for your note which I received by special messenger.

It caused me to reflect upon the old Latin maxim, "it is always sweet to be praised by those who are themselves praised."

With appreciation for your thoughtfulness and with personal regards, I am

Sincerely,

Dick Russell

Honorable J. Edgar Hoover, Director
Federal Bureau of Investigations
U. S. Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

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June 7, 1968

Honorable Richard B. Russell
U. S. Naval Hospital
Bethesda, Maryland 20014

My dear Senator:

I have learned that you entered the hospital and want to urge you to get a complete rest. Please be assured that the thoughts and best wishes of your many friends in the FBI are with you.

With kind personal regards,

Sincerely,

J. Edgar Hoover

1 - Atlanta

NOTE: Senator Russell is on the Special Correspondents List and Bufiles reflect much cordial correspondence with him. He was sent a letter in January of this year when he was hospitalized.

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UPI-126

(RUSSELL)

WASHINGTON--SEN. RICHARD B. RUSSELL, D-GA., IS A PATIENT AT BETHESDA NAVAL HOSPITAL, UNDERGOING TREATMENT FOR A MINOR AILMENT, AN AIDE SAID TODAY.

THE SENATOR ENTERED THE HOSPITAL TUESDAY NIGHT IN PREPARATION FOR AN EXTENSIVE CHECKUP THE FOLLOWING DAY. HE HAD CONTRACTED A COLD AND SINCE HE SUFFERS FROM EMPHYSEMA, PHYSICIANS DECIDED TO HOLD HIM IN THE HOSPITAL FOR REST FOR A FEW DAYS, THE AIDE SAID.

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# United States Senate

WASHINGTON, D.C.

June 18, 1968

Dear Edgar:

Let me thank you for your thoughtful expression of concern over my recent illness.

I am glad to say that my stay in the hospital was occasioned only by a very mild respiratory upset. I have been back at work full time for several days now and am happy to advise that I am feeling fine.

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely,

Dick Russell

Richard B. Russell

Honorable J. Edgar Hoover
Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

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February 28, 1969

Honorable Richard B. Russell
United States Senate
Washington, D. C. 20510

My dear Senator:

The FBI offers cooperative services and assistance to local and state law enforcement agencies in all areas of police responsibility. One vital phase of such cooperation involves the dissemination and exchange of information on successful law enforcement programs and investigative operations. The FBI Law Enforcement Bulletin, a monthly publication distributed without charge, is an example of our efforts in this regard.

Enclosed are two advance copies of the March, 1969, issue of the Bulletin. I thought you might like to see the splendid article, beginning on page 2, entitled "Modern Facilities Aid Police Training Programs," by Major Giles H. Webb, Superintendent, Georgia Police Academy, Atlanta, Georgia.

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Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

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Enclosures (2)

1 - Mr. DeLoach
1 - Mr. Bishop

NOTE: Senator Russell (D-Georgia) is on the Special Correspondents List. This letter is in compliance with a suggestion approved in M. A. Jones to Bishop Memorandum dated 12-18-67 that each month two copies of the Bulletin be sent to friendly Congressmen whose districts or states cover localities of by-line articles published.

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March 21, 1969

Honorable Richard B. Russell
United States Senate
Washington, D. C. 20510

My dear Senator:

I was indeed sorry to learn of your illness and want you to know my thoughts and prayers are with you as you undertake the prescribed treatment. I know your many friends and admirers all over the country will join me in extending best wishes for a prompt improvement of your condition.

With kind personal regards,

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

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NOTE: Senator Russell is on the Special Correspondents List and is a good friend of the Bureau.

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UPI-03

ADD 1 RUSSELL, WASHINGTON (UPI-EO)

THE FORRESTAL AWARD IS PRESENTED EACH YEAR TO THE PERSON CONSIDERED TO HAVE APPLIED MOST EFFECTIVELY THE BELIEF THAT A CLOSE INDUSTRY-GOVERNMENT PARTNERSHIP IS ESSENTIAL TO NATIONAL DEFENSE.

IT IS NAMED FOR THE NATION'S FIRST DEFENSE SECRETARY, AFTER WORLD WAR II.

RUSSELL TOLD REPORTERS ARMY PHYSICIANS DECIDED AGINST SURGERY BECAUSE OF TISSUE DAMAGE FROM EMPHYSEMA, A LUNG DISEASE THAT HAS TROUBLED RUSSELL FOR MANY YEARS.

RUSSELL SAID HE HAS SUFFERED FROM LUNG AND RESPIRATORY AILMENTS FOR 10 OR 12 YEARS. IN 1965 HE HAD A SERIOUS BOUT WITH EMPHYSEMA THAT TOUCHED OFF SPECULATION THAT HE WOULD NOT SEEK ANOTHER SENATE TERM.

RUSSELL CALLED REPORTERS TO HIS OFFICE TO SAY HE HAD PROMISED THE PEOPLE OF GEORGIA IN THAT YEAR HE WOULD ADVISE THEM IMMEDIATELY IF ANY CHANGE OCCURRED IN HIS PHYSICAL CONDITION THAT MIGHT ULTIMATELY AFFECT HIS ABILITY TO STAY IN OFFICE.

APPARENTLY TO FULFILL HIS PLEDGE TO REPORT DIRECTLY TO GEORGIANS FIRST, RUSSELL FIRST MET WITH ATLANTA NEWSMEN WORKING IN WASHINGTON. HIS STAFF PLAYED A TAPE RECORDING LATER FOR OTHER NEWSMEN.

RUSSELL, SPEAKING SLOWLY AND DELIBERATELY, STATED DOCTORS HAD FOUND A TUMOR IN HIS LEFT LUNG DURING THE LATEST OF HIS PERIODIC CHECKSUP AT WALTER REED.

"A GROUP OF THE BEST MEDICAL MEN I KNOW OF CONSULTED ON ALL ASPECTS OF THE MATTER YESTERDAY," RUSSELL SAID.

"IT WAS THEIR UNANIMOUS OPINION OF THAT GROUP THAT THERE WAS A TUMOR THERE," RUSSEL SAID.

"THE TREATMENT THEY SAID SHOULD BE GIVEN WAS RADIOACTIVE COBALT, I BELIEVE THEY CAL IT," RUSSELL SID. "I WILL START THAT TREATMENT TOMORROW."

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(RUSSELL)

WASHINGTON--SEN. RICHARD B. RUSSELL, D-GA., SAID TODAY DOCTORS HAD FOUND A TUMOR ON HIS LEFT LUNG. RUSSELL ADDED IT IS "FAIR TO SAY" THAT THE TUMOR IS MALIGNANT.

RUSSELL, 71-YEAR OLD FORMER CHAIRMAN OF THE SENATE ARMED SERVICES COMMITTEE, SAID HE WILL IMMEDIATELY BEGIN COBALT TREATMENT. HE SAID HE HOPES TO SERVE AT LEAST THE REMAINDER OF HIS PRESENT TERM, WHICH EXPIRES IN 1972.

RUSSELL HAD BEEN IN WALTER REED ARMY HOSPITAL FOR THREE DAYS. HE RETURNED TO HIS OFFICE THIS MORNING. IT HAD BEEN REPORTED THE TREATMENT WAS FOR LUNG CONGESTION.

RUSSELL HAD ENTERED THE HOSPITAL MONDAY FOR WHAT WAS SAID TO BE A ROUTINE CHECK OF HIS CHRONIC RESPIRATORY AND LUNG TROUBLE. THE TUMOR WAS DIAGNOSED BY X-RAYS ON WEDNESDAY, THE SENATOR TOLD REPORTERS.

WALTER REED PHYSICIANS AFTER A LONG CONSULTATION MADE PLANS FOR REGULAR COBALT TREATMENT AND STRONGLY ADVISED RUSSELL TO CONTINUE HIS SENATE DUTIES WHILE AWAITING THE OUTCOME OF THE RADIATION TREATMENT.

RUSSELL, FOR YEARS ONE OF THE MOST POWERFUL MEN IN THE SENATE, ENDED HIS LONG TERM AS CHAIRMAN OF THE ARMED SERVICES COMMITTEE IN ORDER TO BECOME CHAIRMAN OF THE SENATE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE AT THE START OF THE PRESENT CONGRESSIONAL SESSION.

RUSSELL'S OFFICE SAID THERE HAD BEEN NO CHANGE IN HIS PLANS TO RECEIVED THE ANNUAL JAMES V. FORRESTAL AWARD OF THE NATIONAL SECURITY INDUSTRIAL ASSOCIATION TONIGHT.

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Let to Russell ok'd/pd
3-21-69
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# United States Senate

WASHINGTON, D.C.

March 28, 1969

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| Miss Holmes | |
| Miss Gandy | |

Dear Edgar:

I am touched by your expression of concern.

I have commenced the cobalt treatments at Walter Reed. I shall fight to lick this problem and hope for the best.

With appreciation for your friendship, I am

Sincerely,

Richard B. Russell

Hon. J. Edgar Hoover, Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington, D. C. 20535

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May 7, 1969

Honorable Richard B. Russell
United States Senate
Washington, D. C. 20510

My dear Senator:

I was certainly delighted to read the good news you announced yesterday that your cobalt treatments have been effective. Your indomitable courage has indeed been an inspiration to all America and I know your many friends are happy to share this news with you.

With best regards,

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

1 - Atlanta

NOTE: Senator Russell is on the Special Correspondents List. The Director wrote him on 3-21-69 when it was announced he had cancer and would undergo treatment.

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UPI-121

(RUSSELL)

WASHINGTON--SENATE DEAN RICHARD B. RUSSELL TODAY ANNOUNCED A TUMOR HAS DISAPPEARED FROM HIS LEFT LUNG IN WHAT HE CALLED A "FANTASTIC" RESPONSE TO A MONTH OF COBALT RADIATION TREATMENT.

RUSSELL, D-GA., SAID PHYSICIANS AT THE WALTER REED ARMY MEDICAL CENTER DID NOT SAY HE WAS CURED OF CANCER BUT SAID X-RAYS NOW SHOW NO SIGN OF THE PRESENCE OF A TUMOR HE PUBLICLY ANNOUNCED MARCH 20.

"THE RADIATIONS HAVE BEEN EFFECTIVE BEYOND ANYTHING I EVER EXPECTED," RUSSELL SAID IN A NEWS CONFERENCE. "THE RESPONSE HAS BEEN FANTASTIC."

RUSSELL BEGAN A SERIES OF COBALT RADIATION TREATMENTS ON MARCH 21 AND CONTINUED FOR FIVE DAYS A WEEK UNTIL APRIL [illegible] A ROUTINE X-RAY FIRST INDICATED THE TUMOR HAD VANISHED.

RUSSELL EMPHASIZED THE FACT DOCTORS STILL CONSIDER AND SAID EVEN IF THE TUMOR DID NOT REAPPEAR, HE STILL WOULD HAVE A LIFELONG MEDICAL STRUGGLE WITH [illegible]. [illegible] BEFORE HE QUIT SMOKING IN [illegible].

"THEY (THE DOCTORS) NEVER SAY A MAN IS CURED OF CANCER," RUSSELL SAID. "HE JUST LIVES A YEARS OR IT MIGHT BE 10 OR FIVE YEARS."

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ADD 1 RUSSELL, WASHINGTON (UPI-121)

BUT RUSSELL ADDED, "I [illegible] AS MUCH BENEFIT AS ANY MAN [illegible]."

THE TUMOR [illegible] AS A SUSPICIOUS SHADOW ON RUSSELL'S [illegible] LAST JANUARY. [illegible] BECAUSE THE [illegible] HIS LUNG, RUSSELL SAID.

FOR THIS REASON, IT [illegible] WHETHER THE TUMOR WAS [illegible] BUT IT IS [illegible] THAT IT IS [illegible] ITS ABSENCE, "I [illegible]."

RUSSELL, 71, [illegible] ALSO SAID [illegible] SENATOR. [illegible] COBALT TREATMENT COULD AT LEAST [illegible] IN 1971.

RUSSELL, [illegible] REPORT, [illegible] MEDICAL [illegible] HAD [illegible] AILMENT BUT [illegible] RUSSELL [illegible] POSITION.

[illegible] RUSSELL [illegible] PARTLY AND [illegible] PARTLY [illegible].

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Ltr to Russell/encl
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Miss Gandy

# United States Senate

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20510

May 14, 1969

Dear Edgar:

Let me express to you my profound gratitude for your gracious comment on the statement relative to my health.

Through the years, the people of Georgia have been so generous that I have maintained a feeling of humility, but the large number of prayers and good wishes of which I have been the beneficiary recently have touched me more deeply than I can express and I know played a large part in the successful outcome.

It has been a wonderful experience to be the subject of so much prayerful interest and is a further incentive to strive to contribute something to the state and nation that we love.

Sincerely,

Richard B. Russell

Richard B. Russell

Hon. J. Edgar Hoover
Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington, D.C. 20535

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December 16, 1969

REC-117 94-4-3724-64

Honorable Richard B. Russell
Walter Reed Army Hospital
6825 16th Street, N.W.
Washington, D. C. 20012

My dear Senator:

I was indeed sorry to learn of your confinement in the hospital, and I sincerely hope this will find you feeling much better. While I know it must be difficult for you to remain inactive temporarily, please follow your doctor's orders closely and get a good rest.

Your friends in the FBI join me in this note of encouragement.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

NOTE: Senator Russell is on the Special Correspondents List.

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UPI-109
(RUSSELL)
WASHINGTON--SEN. RICHARD B. RUSSELL, D-GA., TODAY ENTERED THE WALTER REED ARMY MEDICAL CENTER FOR OBSERVATION AND TREATMENT OF A VIRUS INFECTION.
A SPOKESMAN SAID RUSSELL GOT SYMPTOMS OF A COLD OVER THE WEEKEND AND WAS SENT TO THE HOSPITAL AFTER BEING EXAMINED IN HIS OFFICE BY A CAPITOL PHYSICIAN.
INDICATIONS WERE THAT RUSSELL WILL UNDERGO ONLY A BRIEF HOSPITAL CONFINEMENT BUT THERE WAS NO OFFICIAL WORD.
RUSSELL'S ILLNESS KEPT HIM OFF THE SENATE FLOOR AS A DEFENSE APPROPRIATIONS BILL CAME UP FOR A DEBATE THAT HE NORMALLY WOULD LEAD AS APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN.
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let to Hon. Richard B. Russell
12/16/69
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# United States Senate

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20510

January 7, 1970

Dear Edgar:

Although belatedly, let me thank you for your kind expression of concern for me.

I am glad to say that my stay at the hospital was a very short one, and though the late adjournment of Congress prevented my having a long visit, I was able to get home to Georgia briefly for Christmas and New Year's.

I hope you had a good Christmas and that the New Year will be bountiful for you.

With cordial regards, I am

Sincerely,

Richard B. Russell

Richard B. Russell
(D. Georgia)

Honorable J. Edgar Hoover
Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

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Reply - no ack

January 22, 1970

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Honorable J. Leonard Reinsch
President
Cox Broadcasting Corporation
1601 West Peachtree Street, Northeast
Atlanta, Georgia 30309

Dear Mr. Reinsch:

Thank you for the letter of January 17th from you and Mr. Cox inviting me to attend the reception honoring Senator Russell on February 10th at the Washington Hilton Hotel.

While this is something I would very much like to do, regrettably, a prior commitment already confirmed will preclude my having that pleasure. However, I want to thank you for thinking of me.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

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1 - Atlanta - Enclosure
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NOTE: Our files disclose nothing unfavorable regarding [redacted] was subject of [redacted]. He was [redacted]

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COX BROADCASTING CORPORATION
1601 West Peachtree Street, N. E., Atlanta, Georgia 30309, Telephone 892-3456

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January 17, 1970

The Honorable J. Edgar Hoover
Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation
4936 30th Place
Washington, D. C. 20008

My dear Mr. Hoover:

For nearly 40 years, Senator Richard B. Russell of Georgia has served his state and has become an institution in American government. His integrity and sense of duty to his country have marked well a career as speaker of the Georgia House of Representatives, Governor of Georgia and U. S. Senator.

Early in 1969, Cox Broadcasting Corporation, through its flagship station, WSB Television in Atlanta, began an oral history project with the Senator, putting 25-hours of conversation with him on motion picture film. This dialogue, spanning seven national administrations, has evolved into three, one-hour documentary television programs called, "Russell: Georgia Giant."

Cox Broadcasting Corporation will hold a reception honoring the Senator from 6 p.m. until 8 p.m. Tuesday, February 10, at the International Ballroom of the Washington Hilton Hotel. At that time, a 30-minute digest of the three documentaries will be shown.

Leading political figures have been invited to share this event with Senator Russell. We would consider it an honor if you will consent to join us at that time.

An invitation will be arriving shortly with an appropriate reply card enclosed.

Sincerely,

James M. Cox Jr.

James M. Cox, Jr.
Chairman

J. Leonard Reinsch
President

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March 5, 1970

Honorable Richard B. Russell
Walter Reed Army Hospital
6825 16th Street, N.W.
Washington, D. C. 20012

My dear Senator:

I was sorry to learn that you are hospitalized and hope this note finds you resting comfortably. Your friends in the FBI wish for you a speedy return to good health and if we can be of assistance in any way, please let me know.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

NOTE: Senator Russell is on the Special Correspondents List.

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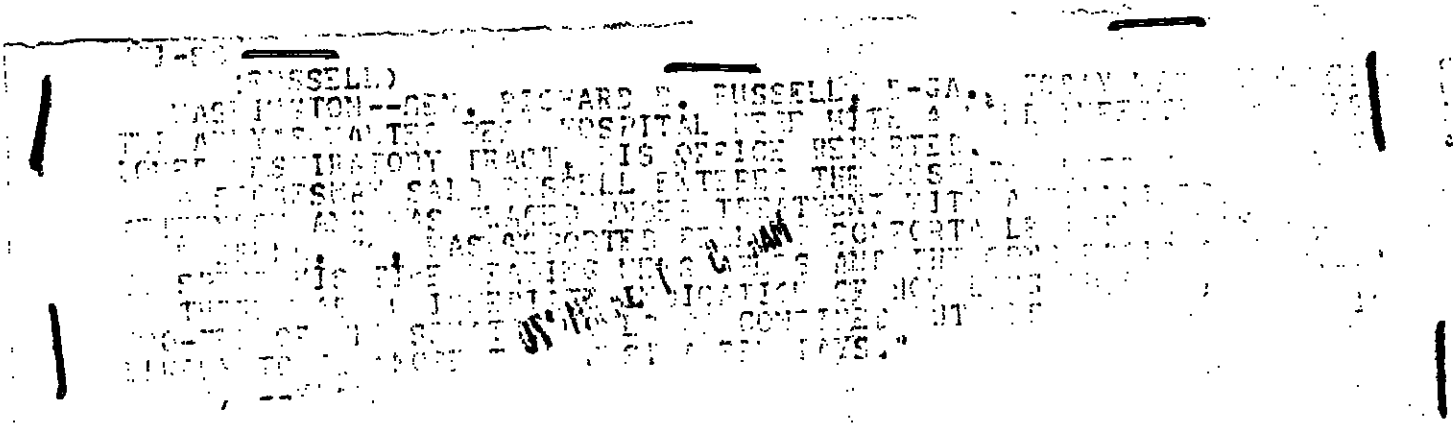

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# United States Senate

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20510

March 16, 1970

Dear Director Hoover:

I appreciate your thoughtful concern.

While I have had considerable congestion and am still in the hospital, I am doing much better and hope to be back in the office before very long. Your prayers and support mean much to me.

With every good wish, I am

Sincerely,

Richard B. Russell

Richard B. Russell
(D-Ga.)

Hon. J. Edgar Hoover
Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

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January 21, 1971

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94-4-3724-19

Mrs. J. K. Stacy
Winder, Georgia 30680

Dear Mrs. Stacy:

I was indeed sorry to learn of Senator Russell's passing and want to extend my deepest sympathy to you and your family in your bereavement. Our Nation has lost a great statesman and his outstanding contributions will long be remembered by grateful citizens.

If there is any way in which I can be of assistance, please let me know.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

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1 - Atlanta
1 - Savannah

NOTE: Senator Russell was on the Special Correspondents List. Per discreeet inquiry of Mr. Powell Moore, the Senator's Press Secretary, Mrs. Stacy, the widowed sister of the Senator, is the person to be written at her Georgia address. She is the closest surviving relative and has cared for him in his last years.

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UPI-119
(RUSSELL)

WASHINGTON--SEN. RUSSELL DIED AT 2:25 P.M. FROM "RESPIRATORY INSUFFICIENCY DUE TO PULMANORY DIFFICULTY."

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Let to Mrs. J. K. Stacy
1-21-71
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OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

March 3, 1971

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The Honorable J. Edgar Hoover, Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Ninth and Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W.
Washington, D. C. 20535

I would like, Mr. Hoover . . . .

. . . . to enlist your aid in a most worthwhile endeavor, one close to your heart and mine, in connection with the Richard B. Russell Library and Archives here at The University of Georgia.

We would like for you to consent to an interview for the purpose of recording for posterity your impdession of Senator Russell as you saw him. Such an impression would be invaluable to historians and researchers in years to come.

Your personal knowledge of the Senator and the little known facts and stories which could be told by others like yourself who were close to him would give future researchers a keen insight into the true personality of this great man. It would help to humanize him to those who were not fortunate enough to know him personally.

Hugh Cates, the person to do the interviewing, will contact you in the very near future to arrange a time and place which will be convenient for the two of you to meet.

After all interviews have been completed they will be edited and placed in safe keeping as a permanent part of the Russell Library.

Thank you so much for your cooperation in this matter.

Sincerely,

Fred C. Davison

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TO : Mr. Bishop

DATE: 3/10/71

FROM : M. A. Jones

SUBJECT: HUGH CATES
REQUEST INTERVIEW WITH DIRECTOR CONCERNING
THE LATE U.S. SENATOR RICHARD B. RUSSELL (D-GA.)

BACKGROUND:

By letter of 3/3/71, Fred C. Davison, President, The University of Georgia, Athens, Georgia, requests the consent of the Director for an interview for the purpose of recording Mr. Hoover's impression of Senator Russell, which interview would be edited and placed in safe keeping as a permanent part of the Richard B. Russell Library at The University of Georgia. Mr. Davison indicated that Hugh Cates would be the person who would do the interviewing and would contact the Director in the very near future to arrange a time and place convenient for this interview.

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INFORMATION IN BUFILES:

Our files reveal no information identifiable with

Our files reveal no derogatory nor additional background data

No arrest record was located

The late Senator Russell is well known to the Director and the Bureau as being a staunch supporter of the FBI over the years. He passed away on 1/21/71. Prior to his death, we had frequent contact with him and he addressed Mr. Hoover on a first name basis.

OBSERVATIONS:

It is not felt that the Director should take time from his busy schedule to be interviewed by Mr. Cates, since the whole purpose of this interview could be achieved by having pertinent data prepared and sent to Mr. Davison for inclusion in the Richard B. Russell Library.

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1 - Miss Holmes - Enc.
1 - Mr. Malmfeldt - Enc.
1 - Tour Room - Enc.
1 - M. A. Jones - Enc.

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M. A. Jones to Bishop Memo
RE: HUGH CATES

RECOMMENDATIONS:

(1) That the Director not grant an interview to Mr. Cates.

(2) That attached letter to Mr. Davison be sent expressing the Director's regrets and offering to submit appropriate data for inclusion in the Richard B. Russell Library.

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EX 101
REC-81 94-4-37244-10

April 6, 1971

Mr. Hugh Cates
Room 464
805 Peachtree Street, Northeast
Atlanta, Georgia 30308

Dear Mr. Cates:

It is a pleasure to enclose a statement relative to my impressions of the late Senator Richard B. Russell, to be included among the papers which are being housed permanently in the Richard B. Russell Library at The University of Georgia. A copy of this letter and a copy of the statement are being forwarded to Dr. Fred C. Davison, President, The University of Georgia, to whom I wrote on March 11th in connection with this matter.

Unfortunately, as I noted in my letter to Dr. Davison, the pressure of official duties precludes the possibility of a recording session in connection with your project concerning the oral history of Senator Richard B. Russell.

MAILED 24
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Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

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1 - Atlanta - Enclosure
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Mr. Hugh Cates

NOTE: By letter of 3/3/71, Dr. Davison, President, The University of Georgia, requested that the Director afford Mr. Hugh G. Cates an interview for the purpose of recording the Director's impression of Sen. Russell. By letter of 3/11/71, Davison was advised daily matters precluded making an appointment in the foreseeable future but it would be a pleasure to send a statement of Director's impression to Dr. Davison. By letter of 3/18/71, Mr. Cates indicates he would be happy to receive the written report and advises he will be in Washington the week of April 19, 1971. He asks that if the Director has time for a visit to record a very brief statement during that week that he call Bill Jordan, a former aide to Senator Russell. In line with Mr. Cates' request, the data on Senator Russell is being forwarded to him and a copy is being sent to Dr. Davison.

April 6, 1971

SENATOR RICHARD B. RUSSELL

by

John Edgar Hoover, Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice

When a mountain range comes into view of the overland traveller, the tallest peak impinges first upon his eye. One is forced to admire a magnificent pinnacle at sight of it. Not so with men.

That quality which, for lack of better words, might be termed "grandeur of the soul," rarely is apparent at first glance. It may be disclosed in the face of unbelievable adversity--in battle, or, perhaps, in confrontation with a terrible misfortune or disaster. Now and then it shines forth in the field of public service as the mark of a great teacher, a superb physician, or a selfless statesman. That intangible quality was inherent in the person of Richard Brevard Russell whose autobiographical data in the Congressional Directory under "Senators" was the simple listing of his name, followed by the words "Democrat, of Winder, Ga."

1 - Atlanta

NOTE: See letters of same date to Dr. Fred C. Davison, President, The University of Georgia, Athens, Georgia, and Hugh Cates.

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Lack of ostentation was characteristic of Senator Russell. His appreciation for simplicity and straightforwardness sprang from the nature of the man. Richard Russell did not demand that others think as he did, and certainly there was nothing of the dissembler in his makeup. The calm, farsighted, thoughtful man whose company was valued by his friends, did not alter as his power and influence within the senatorial body grew. He did not change as power accumulated. The immutable principles with which he was imbued in childhood were the principles to which he adhered throughout his life. And men paid tribute to that fact. His strict sense of honor, his unwavering patriotism, his unassailable integrity, and his selflessness placed a premium on his judgment. Men in high places knew he held the Nation's welfare before all else. In time of crisis, it was his advice they sought.

Richard Russell rose beyond the levels of the region and the State to wield, at last, great power on the national scene. He followed no one blindly. He was immune to partisanship when the welfare of the country was at stake. A pillar of support to presidents of either party on the international scene, this Southern Senator was superbly knowledgeable in all areas pertaining to our national defense.

Senator Russell believed in the individual. He abhorred totalitarianism. He feared the forces seeking to cultivate a distrust of

the military. He could not understand why anyone should seek a reduction in the Nation's defenses at the very time totalitarian powers were increasing their offensive might. He struggled to the last to arouse the Nation to the nature of the dangers facing it.

Richard Russell loved this country and he served it splendidly. His most ardent efforts were devoted to preserving this free society for posterity. This man reached a pinnacle of selflessness and dedication which all men might emulate.

I knew Dick Russell. I held him as a valued friend--a gallant, generous, patriotic man--and I salute his valiant spirit.

J. Edgar Hoover

Southern Bell

Room 464 • 805 Peachtree Street, N.E.
Atlanta, Georgia 30308
Phone (404) 877-3869

**Hugh G. Cates**
Public Relations Manager

March 18, 1971

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover
United State Department of Justice
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C. 20535

Dear Mr. Hoover:

University of Georgia President Fred Davison has forwarded to me your letter of March 11 concerning the oral history of Senator Richard B. Russell.

We would be most happy to receive from you, as you suggested, a written report concerning your impressions of the late Senator. If you will send them to me, I will see that they are included among the papers to be housed in the Russell Foundation at the University of Georgia.

In the event that your schedule will permit my visiting you to get from you a brief oral statement concerning the Senator, I will be in Washington the week of April 19. If at any time during that week you can see me, please call the office of Bill Jordan, a former aide to Senator Russell and now on the Professional Staff of the Senate Appropriations Committee, at 768-7269.

Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

Sincerely,

Hugh Cates
Public Relations Manager

Copy to: President Fred C. Davison
Mr. Bill Jordan

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